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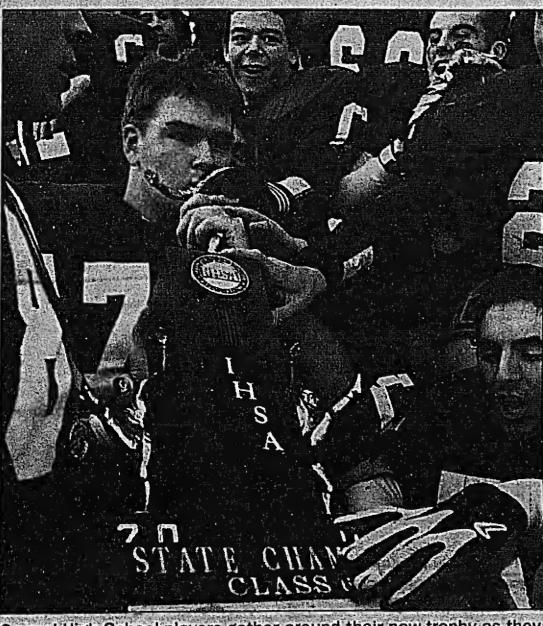
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Carmel High School players gather around their new trophy as they celebrate their Class 6A state championship win over Bloomington. The Corsairs took the title for the first time in the Mundelein school's history with a score of 54-26.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

On the strength of 29 unanswered points in the second half, including a Class 6A title game-record 91-yard kickoff return by Mike Serio, Carmel's dream to be the best came true with a 54-26 win over Bloomington.

The state title for the Corsairs is Lake County's first since Deerfield in 1975.

Junior QB John Solan, subbing for injured senior Mark Venegoni, had the game of a lifetime with three TD runs and two TD passes.

Libertyville had a chance to give the county two state champions, but fell short in a 28-21 double-overtime loss to Oswego in the Class 7A title game.

See wrap-around in Section B for stories and pictures of the championship games



Libertyville High School varsity football player Greg Dugan leaves the field after an emotional Class 7A state championship loss to Oswego at Memorial Stadium in Champaign.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

*Board of education splits district

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

Results of the informal survey of incoming juniors and seniors for the 2004-05 school year clearly showed that students have a preference for staying at Antioch Community High School (ACHS).

The board of education of Community High School District 117 rescinded its decision to have all incoming 2004 freshmen attend the new campus, located at the northeast corner of Deep Lake and Grass

Lake roads. As the board was once again faced with determining the best course to transition from one to two campuses, it sent out surveys to the parents of the 2004-05 juniors and seniors to determine if there were students interested in finishing their high school careers at the new campus. Only 61 students from all three attending zip codes (60046, 60083 and 60002) indicated they would favor a switch.

The final decision was that the 2004-05 juniors and seniors will finish high school at ACHS, and all other students will attend the campus of their attendance area, from which they will eventually graduate.

Exceptions will be considered for those students who have older siblings remaining at ACHS.

Superintendent Dennis Hockney said the board reversed its decision about freshman attendance at the request of the Task Force for **Educational Change.**

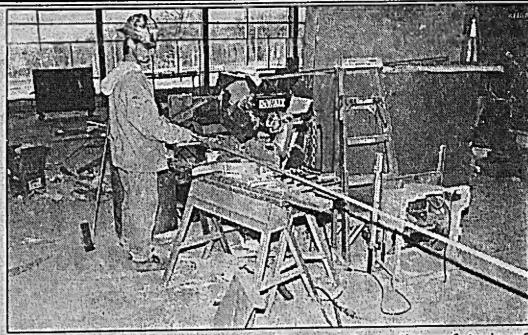
"We negotiated an agreement three years ago (for the task force) to increase innovative teaching methods within our district," Hockney said. "An advisory program was set up in which the philosophy is that there will be up to 25 students per each teacher as advisor. The theory is that students will have the same advisor throughout their high school careers."

Splitting the high school career of those who would graduate in 2008 or 2009 between two campuses would disrupt that plan.

Parents attending a meeting to address concerns about changing the previously established plan generally thought it was a difficult position for their current sophomores and juniors. Noted complaints included not knowing which teachers would be sent to the new campus, not knowing where the sports teams would be located and not offering the students the opportunity to tour the new campus.

Hockney said, "The new campus is a construction site right now. It's a hard-hat area, and we (school officials) have to get permission (from Seater Construction) to enter the

area. He said that floor plans and elevations have been in the library of the ACHS campus to allow students a glimpse of the lay of the land at the Lake Villa campus. He also said that final decisions could not be made about how many or which teachers would move from ACHS to the new campus until the board finalizes the



Scott Hiller of McHenry County Glass works in the cafeteria of the new Lakes Community High School in Antioch. The four-year school will be open to freshman and sophomores in fall 2004.-Photo by Sandy Bressner

transition plan.

"We knew there would be bumps in the road with transitioning over from one campus to two," he said.

At the following school board meeting to formally review the survey numbers and determine a course of action, several incoming 2004-05 sophomores addressed the board.

Student Tara Coach said, "If the juniors and seniors get to choose, we should too. Everybody gets to have a choice, but we don't."

Fellow student Katie Hanley said

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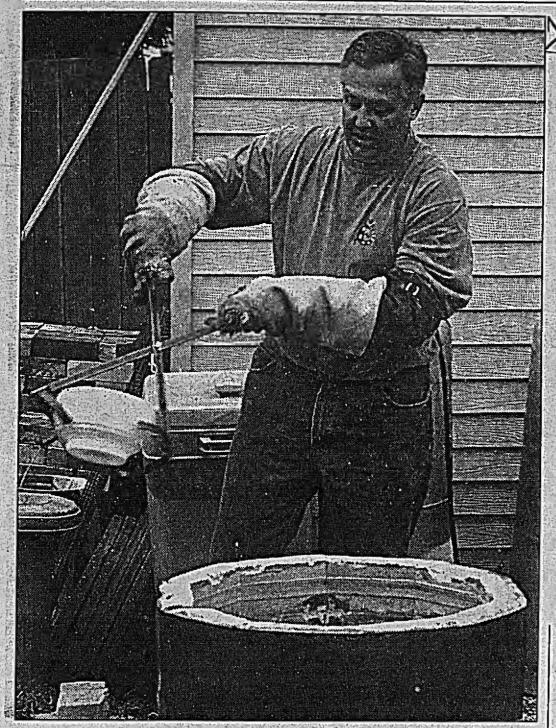
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Ceramic artist Ed Dvorscak finishes firing a bowl using the "Raku" method during a special open house at the Antioch Pottery Works. The annual fall event was highlighted by the unveiling of the Pottery Works new walk-in pottery kiln.— Photo by J.W. Sternickle

SMC study studied

By JULIE MURPHY imurphy@lakelandmedia.com

An engineering firm that specializes in water resources has been hired by the village of Antioch to, in essence, study the Stormwater Management Committee's (SMC) study of the Sequoit Creek Watershed and proposed changes to the flood-

The board of directors voted unanimously to approve a \$9,800 expenditure to Christopher B. Burke Engineering to thoroughly examine the SMC reports and recommendations for changes that, if approved, will add a good portion of Antioch's industrial area to the area's floodplain.

Thomas Burke, who heads the Water Resources Section of the engineering firm, told the village board that his company has done similar work for the municipalities of Addison, Bellwood and Northlake.

"There are some questions that need to be answered," he said. "Were they (the studies) modeled correctly?

Is everything accurate? If everything is accurate, how can we reduce the floodplain area?"

Burke said his firm had successfully provided solutions to reduce floodplain areas that are in the process of being accepted by the

Trustee Scott Pierce noted that if village needs Burke to supply solutions to reduce the floodplain area, the board would have to negotiate a separate arrangement with the firm. "This is just to study the study," he said. "If other work is needed, more negotiations would have to be made."

Burke's work is to begin immedi-

After the meeting, George Sakas, the village's senior planner, said, "We'll probably find some areas that are newly identified and legitimate additions to the floodplain, but we want to make sure everything is accurate. We are still committed to managing the floodplain and stormwater and are looking all the way along the creek for areas and ways to mitigate stormwater."

*Antioch Pottery unveils new kiln at open house

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

Though Jill Tortorella's Antioch Pottery Works already hosted an open house as is an annual tradition in late fall, the first one was so much fun that she's decided to add another. The open house runs Dec. 6 and 7 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

"We had a wonderful time a couple of weeks ago, so we decided we would just do it again," said Tortorella. "Everyone had a lot of fun getting an opportunity to have some hands-on' time as well as watching demonstrations. We're going to do raku firing again for this open house."

Tortorella said that Raku firing gives the copper penny and crackle whites look to the pottery.

"Red-hot pieces are taken from the kiln and put with combustibles that burn and smolder. The reaction of the glaze with the smoldering material gives the unique look to the pottery," she said.

Tortorella will be giving demonstrations on using a potter's wheel and will allow those interested to try their hands at it as well.

Additionally, refreshments will be served and, of course, pots, plates, cups, bowls and a variety of other pottery art will be for sale for those interested in doing some early holiday shopping. In addition to her own work, the ceramics of six additional artists will be available.

Offerings include Ikebana flower frogs (unique horizontal flower vases) as well as gift items in a range of sizes,

colors and prices.

Tortorella earned a BFA from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. She regularly exhibits her work in shows throughout Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota and Oklahoma.

Her works are in the collections of the following corporations: Amoco Oil, Fleming Co., Dean Goad Interiors, The G.H.K. Co., Stifel Nicolaus, Quaker Oats, Perception Inc., Levin & Shredder, HAR Aerospace, Hackneys Restaurants, Mary Barnes Donnelley Foundation, and The Lake Forest Bookstore.

The studio is located at 25942 Heart O Lakes (Grass Lake Road to Lake Bluff Road). For more information, call 847-838-1040.

Skaters need only wait for cold weather

Parks department gives away hockey sticks

By JULIE MURPHY: jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

With the construction of two ice skating rinks, Antioch unofficially has two skate parks.

Centennial Park will be ready for steal blades shortly as the Public Works Department began the installation of two portable ice skating rinks for the Parks Department. The larger rink will be designated for more experienced skaters and will have hockey nets installed for games, while the smaller rink will accommodate younger and less experienced skaters.

To add to the excitement of having the rinks available as soon as the installation is complete and the air temperatures turn cold enough to freeze water, the Parks Department is giving away 10 brand new, wooden hockey sticks.

"The hockey sticks were donated to the village by Wal-Mart in Round Lake," said Laurie Stahl, parks director. "We thought this would be a good way to kick off the opening of the rinks."

To register to win on of the

hockey sticks, all one needs to do is provide the Parks Department with a name, address and phone number. This can be done through the mail or stopping by the department office located at 806 Holbek Drive, Antioch, IL 60002. To register by phone, call 847-395-2160.

The drawing will be held on Dec. 15, and winners will be notified by phone or by mail.

Stahl said general park rules will apply and that she's hoping hockey players won't require intervention in scheduling games and sharing the ice with other users.

Parks are open from dawn to dusk and users take advantage of the amenities at their own risk. Those under 10 years old should be accompanied by an adult, and it is up to those adults to judge what equipment is appropriate for younger children, as not all park equipment is.

Stahl said, "We also have 'park watch' that is like a neighborhood watch. Anybody who sees something going on that shouldn't be, should notify the parks department. Anything that is illegal should be reported to the police department."

Unsafe equipment or vandalism should be reported immediately by calling 847-395-8585.

The ice rinks will be located near the pavilion to make changing from into skates Additionally, the Parks Department plans to have a Porta-Potty on the site for user convenience.



Ryan Parker and Matt DePiero of the Antioch Public Works department construct the perimeter of a soon-to-be ice rink at the village's Centennial Park, located on Anita Street just north of Depot.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

Antioch known for its big heart

here is no doubt that our town has a big heart. Antioch's event calendar is filled every month with fund-raisers, benefits and volunteer work parties. None of these events goes unattended or unsupported.

This year, Antioch Community High School's annual holiday concert will benefit freshman Rusty Anderson, who was diagnosed with cancer last spring. The concert will take place Dec. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the school's auditorium.

Members of the school's band and choral programs ask that attendees donate a minimum of \$1 to be given to the Anderson family to help offset Rusty's medical expenses.

His sister Cara had been a band member throughout her four years of high school, and Rusty would have continued that family tradition had his medical condition not prevented him from doing so.

The Antioch Senior Center is collecting items to be distributed by area food pantries, but the things they are especially interested in collecting aren't food.

At the regular village board meeting, trustee Scott Pierce said the group had decided to cover items that cannot be purchased with food



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stamps such as soaps, shampoos, facial tissue, paper towels and the like. He said, "There are lots of things these people need that don't fall under the food category."

For a more information or to make a donation, call Paul Howard at the senior center at 847-395-0139.

Last but certainly not least, Dr. Debra Rentner, the village chiropractor, has taken it upon herself to spread a little holiday cheer to the residents, relatives and friends of Antioch who are serving in Iraq.

She's collecting travel-size containers of toothpaste, baby powder, and hand lotion, as well as flat containers of baby wipes, queen-size pantyhose, candy, dried fruit, sunflower seeds, nuts, beef jerky, meats and cheeses that don't require refrigeration, crackers, and/or cash to purchase these items to make up care packages for the troops.

The village board voted to

donate \$250 to the cause.

Additionally, individual letters of support from Mayor Taso Maravelas, the trustees and the village administrator will be included in the care package.

In addition to the Village of Antioch's donation, the following businesses and individuals are making donations: Maravela's, Double Eagle Restaurant, Something Sweet, Fantastic Sam's, BJ's Fashions, Designer Flooring, Jack Fields of Remax, Dr. Jim Orticelli, Mike and Karen Perrone, Colette Fleming, Peter Lezeau, Jay Gilliland, Malin Construction and Arlene Gaffrig.

Finally, in addition to donations, Rentner is seeking the names and contact information of servicemen and women who have an Antioch connection (resident, family, friend) so that care packages can be made up and shipped to as many soldiers as possible.

For more information, call Rentner at her office at 847-838-

If you have interesting information or anecdotes to submit for "Our Town" call staff reporter Julie Murphy at 847-223-8161, ext. 600 or e-mail, moorfie@ix.netcom.com

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SCHOOL DIGEST

High School hosts financial aide night

The guidance department of Antioch Community High School will host its annual Financial Aid Night on Monday, Dec. 8, in the school's cafeteria.

The program is designed to provide college-bound juniors and seniors with an overview of the college financial aid system. Lamont Barrientos, interim director of financial aid at the College of Lake County, will be the primary presenter.

'Shop and Shares' support AMPS

Two "Shop and Shares" will take place at the Antioch Jewel to support AMPS (ACHS Music and Performance Sponsors). The dates will be Dec. 15-17 and Dec. 29-31.

For information on how to get a coupon to participate (no more difficult than a regular shopping trip), call Sue Latino at 847-838-

2004 High school board meetings scheduled.

The high school district board of education's last regular meeting for 2003 is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the library of the Antioch High School campus on Main Street.

Meetings are always held on Thursday evenings and rotate between the library of Antioch Community High School (ACHS) and the district office, located in the Antioch-Lake Villa Township Center on Deep Lake Road, just north of Grass Lake Road, in Lake Villa.

Regular meetings for the remainder of the school year (2003-04) are as follows: Jan. 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; Jan. 22, at 7:30

p.m. at the district office; Feb. 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; Feb. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at the district office; March 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; March 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the district office; April 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; April 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the district office; May 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; May 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the district office; June 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; and June 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the district office.

Yearbook staff seeks pictures

The Emmons School yearbook staff welcomes submitted pictures from parents, grandparents, friends or siblings that show Emmons students and that would be appropriate for the yearbook.

The staff asks that pictures be clear and not blurry. Pictures will not be returned, so do not send anything that will be missed or for which there is not a duplicate.

Pictures should be sent by students or through regular mail to: Yearbook Pictures, Emmons School, 24226 W. Beach Grove Road, Antioch, Ill., 60002.

Early childhood screening

Antioch Community Consolidated District 34 offers early childhood developmental screening.

Parents with concerns should consider this. Developmental screening is a brief series of activities and observations designed to identify children who may have a potential problem that requires further assessment.

Screening is available to children between the ages of 3-5 years old who have not yet entered kindergarten within District 34. To schedule an appointment, call the special education office at 847-838-8422.

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it wouldn't be fair to split the sophomore class and put the students in a situation where they wouldn't have older students to set an example to follow.

Principal Jon Crawford, of the ACHS campus, said (to the students), "You are going to be the leaders in the school for three years. You will be blazing the trail. There will be no legacies and no traditions; you are going to create the culture."

He noted that this class would have always been split, but with the new plan it would happen a year earlier (2004-05, instead of 2005-06).

"I think when you graduate in 2007, you'll think it was a great journey," he said.

Principal Bob Crist, of the Lakes Community High School campus, said he looked forward to working with the students in attendance at the meeting.

"I applaud the young ladies who came here tonight," he said. "You're already demonstrating your leadership."

The new plan is to have freshmen and sophomores attend the campuses from which they will graduate.

In short, those who are in zip code 60002 will attend school at the Antioch campus, and those in living in the 60046 and 60083 zip codes will attend school at the Lake Villa campus.

There are a couple of exceptions.

All students currently living in both the Emmons School District 33 and Grass Lake School District 36 will attend the current high school regardless of zip code. Students residing in the White Woods subdivision, immediately north of the Lakes Community High School, will attend that school despite living in the 60002 zip code.

Those in Lake Villa and Millburn elementary districts will attend the new high school. Antioch Community Consolidated District 34 is broken and follows the zip code rule.



Tomorrow's volunteers

The eighth grade community service club students of the Antioch Upper Grade School attended the Youth Peer interaction Conference. Principal Eric Skoog is the advisor of the club. He is pictured with Emily Gebhardt, Erika Bidlinger, Mallory Sinkovec, Chris Palmer, Heidi Brandt, (second row) Kristy Torrez and Andrea Fullerton. (中) 可以在中心化态型的。1951年前,例如

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Antioch firefighters Jim DeVito, Jim Cook and James Dalgaard hang a wreath outside the department's Station 1 on Orchard Avenue as part of the national Keep the Wreath Red campaign. For every area holiday-related fire, one red light bulb will be extinguished.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

POLICE BEAT

Persons charged with a crime are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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DUI

Lou J. Perez, 45, of 746 Tiffany Court, was charged with DUI on Nov. 29 at 2:46 a.m. on Lake Street at Hillside Avenue.

He was observed traveling at a high rate of speed and paced by Antioch police traveling 35 mph in 25 mph zone. The officer then saw him disobey a stop sign as he turned onto Tiffany Road.

Police detected the strong odor of alcoholic beverage on Perez's breath and requested that he perform field sobriety tests, all of which he failed.

He was arrested and issued a citation for DUI. He refused chemical testing and was issued additional citations for speeding and disobeying a stop sign. Perez was ing his Jan. 6 court date.

Laurie A. Young, 42, of 289 Oakridge Court, was charged with DUI on Nov. 28 at 7:01 p.m. on Main Street at Depot.

The community service officer (CSO) who was directing traffic for the parade called a patrol officer to the area for a possible DUI.

Young had reportedly disregarded the CSOs signal to stop as she headed south on Main Street, stopping only after she had driven over cones that had been set up to stop traffic. The CSO said Young appeared to be intoxicated and the officer asked that she turn over her car keys and wait for an officer to arrive at the scene.

Young complied and told police she had not seen the CSO until it was too late.

The officer detected the strong odor of alcoholic beverage and requested she per-

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Participating fire departments will place a wreath with red bulbs in the front of their stations. When the determination is that a fire is caused by or related to Christmas decorations, one of the bulbs will be changed to white.

The changing bulbs will keep residents aware of the increased fire hazards of the season, though fire officials hope to keep all the bulbs red.

Chief Dennis Volling said, "The challenge is to be a little more cautious and prevent fires during the Holiday Season. Everyone is hurrying around to get their shopping done and parties planned, and fire safety tends to get lost in the mix."

Volling issued several hints to help keep homes safe and the wreath red this holiday season:

Select only the freshest, natural tree, and remember to keep it watered and away from heat sources including televisions and radios. Use only those artificial trees with safetyapproved tags.

Use lights that have been approved by a testing laboratory. Discard any light strings with frayed cords or sockets.

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dles before bed and before leaving your house.

Avoid overloading circuits or extension cords. Check light string instructions to determine the maximum number that may be place in one outlet.

Keep candles a safe distance from other items. Remember that a flickering flame is a fascination to small children, and keep candles out of their reach. Never use lighted candles on a tree or near other evergreens.

Always use non-flammable candleholders. Keep candles away from other decorations and wrapping paper. Place candles where they cannot be knocked down or blown over.

Never leave cooking materials unattended. as cooking is the leading cause of residential fires. Create a three-foot "safe zone" around the stove keeping children and pets away from this area.

Keep pot handles turned in to avoid spills, and keep potholders, dishtowels, food packaging and other clutter away from the stovetop.

Finally, the easiest way to improve the chances of survival in the event of a fire is to have a working smoke detector. For those who did not change the batteries with the daylight savings time change, change them now.

Volling said, "The officers and staff of the Antioch Fire Department wish everyone a joyous and fire safe holiday season, and remember to 'keep the wreath red."

form field sobriety tests, all of which she failed. She was arrested and issued citations for disobeying a crossing guard and DUI.

Young refused chemical testing and posted her Illinois driver's license and \$100 pending her Dec. 16 court date.

Dennis A. McClintock, 53, of 284 Windsor Terrace, was charged with DUI on Nov. 26 at 1:15 a.m. on Route 173 east of Harden.

Police saw McClintock cross the fog line. As he approached Route 83 and the stoplight turned red, he did not stop until after he had crossed the white line.

The officer detected the strong odor of alcoholic beverage on McClintock's

breath. He failed all field sobriety tests requested of him.

During the inventory for tow, an open bottle of whiskey was found in his vehicle.

McClintock was arrested and issued citations for DUI. A check of his identifiers through LEADS/SOS came back with information that his driver's license was revoked.

He agreed to chemical testing that came back with the result of .197 blood alcohol concentration. McClintock was issued additional citations for improper lane usage, driving while revoked, BAC over .08 and illegal transportation of alcohol.

He was held in a cell, as he was unable to produce bond.



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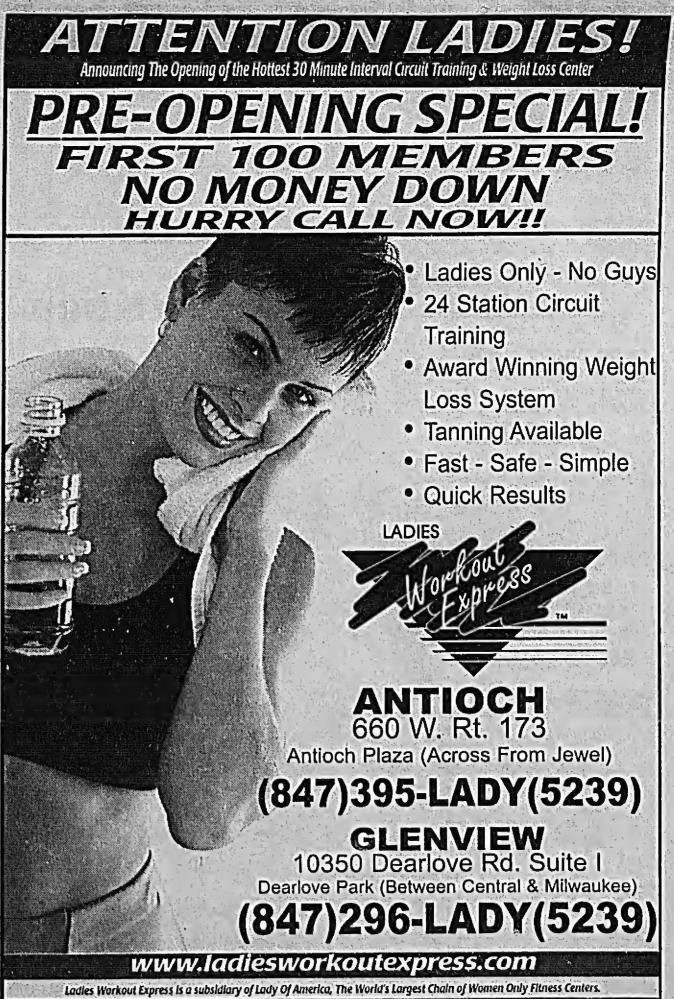
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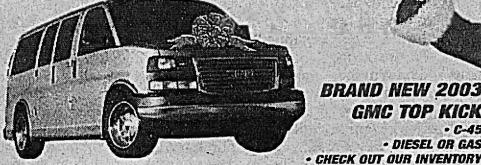
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Antioch resident Ronna Lavin looks through items left over from the Antioch Senior Center's annual rummage sale in Antioch.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

Register for holiday lights contest

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

It's nearly time for the Antioch Chamber of Commerce and Industry to judge the Holiday Lights of Antioch contest, but it's not too late to enter.

"Entering is very easy," said Barbara Porch, executive director. "All you have to do is call the chamber and leave your name, address and phone number. I've seen lights up all over, so I know there are a lot of people eligible to enter."

Three winners will be selected with total prizes to equal \$400 in Chamber Gift Certificates. Judging will take place over two days: Dec. 13-14.

The competition is open to both residents of the village of Antioch and Antioch Township.

We love this contest because it makes Antioch festive and bright for the holiday season," said Porch. "It's nice for the participants, too, because the prizes are substantial."

The gift certificates can be used the same as cash at 300 businesses throughout the chamber's membership. Participating members will display the Chamber's diamond symbol.

There are a variety of possible uses for the gift certificates that include (but not limited to) apparel, sporting goods, candy, flowers, hardware, dining, insurance, groceries, bikes, jewelry, banking, china, fitness, automotive, ice cream, beauty, art, antiques, furnishings, collectibles, pet supplies, home décor, electrical, travel, duct work.

To register, call the chamber office at 847-395-2233.

Discussion centers on Social Security

In conjunction with New England Financial, the Antioch Chamber of Commerce and Industry presents a guest speaker from the Social Security Administration to address topics regarding retirement benefits and other Social Security matters. The presentation will be held at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 9 at the Antioch Best Western on Route 173.

Planned questions to be addressed include the following: how does one qualify for retirement benefits; how much would the retirement benefit be; and, is one eligible for

retirement benefits while working. Additional items for discussion include Medicare as it relates to Social Security, family benefits and tax implications.

There will be a question and answer period following the presentation.

The public is invited to attend alone with chamber members to hear the speaker and enjoy a continental breakfast.

Admission is free, but the chamber asks that those planning to attend call 847-395-2233, and leave name and phone number, so there will be an accurate count.

LOCAL DIGEST

Lakes Area Community Band announces holiday concert

The Lakes Area Community Band will conduct its annual holiday concert on Friday, Dec. 5, at 7:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 848 Main St., Antioch.

Under the direction of Steve Porch, the performance will include many Christmas favorites, including "March of the Toys" and selections by Leroy Anderson, Irving Berlin and others.

The Sweet Adelines and several local guest musicians will make a special appearance at the concert

All are welcome; admission is free and refreshments will be served after the performance

Come early for best seating. For more information, call Debbie Davis at 847-395-0272.

Sponsorship is provided by Festival Arts of Antioch.

Library adds to adult programs

With the success of the past month's adult speakers program, the Antioch Public Library District has added to the schedule.

Come hear old-time, traditional folk, seasonal music and down-home humor as the Stay Tuned String Band makes a musical presentation on Saturday, Dec. 6, at 1 p.m. The group plays uncommon instruments such as the dulcimer, autoharp and psaltery as well as other stringed instruments.

This performance is suitable for all ages.
Pre-registration is required for the Stay
Tuned String Band, and can be made over the
phone by calling the library at 847-395-0874
and asking for the reference department.

Church announces annual holiday theatrical production

Every year the Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church outdoes itself putting together a special holiday theatrical production. This year, the church is putting on a musical entitled "Four Tickets to Christmas" that is said to "return to

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that era of grace and charm of the early 1900s."
The story address changing times versus the

Opening night is Saturday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. Additional performances will take place on Dec. 7 at 5:30 p.m., Dec. 12-13 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 14 at 3 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. A special showing will take place Thursday, Dec. 11, at 7 p.m. for Awana members and their families.

Individual tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children in advance or \$7 for adults and \$4 for children at the door. Family passes, for children under 18 years old and accompanying adults, are available for \$15.

Tickets can be purchased in advance by calling the church office at 847-838-0103. The church is located at 42 W. Grass Lake Road.

Garden club hosts regular meetings through June

Antioch Garden Club meets the first Monday of the month, September through June, at 6:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church at 848 Main St., Antioch.

Visitors and new members are welcome. For more information call (847) 395-1202.

VFW offers fish fry

Antioch VFW Post 4551 has started having a fish fry on Friday nights from 4-8 p.m.

In addition to cod, perch and shrimp, the menu offers burgers and chicken strips. Dinners are served with French fries or a baked potato, in limited quantity, and coleslaw, bread and butter.

Cost varies from about \$3-8, depending on the fish or meat.

For more information, call 847-395-5393.

Community band seeks members

Lakes Area Community Band, a 40-member band comprised of musicians from Lake, McHenry & Kenosha counties, is currently seeking musicians high school age and older in all sections. Practices take place on Monday evenings from 7-9 p.m. in the Antioch Community High School band room.

New members are welcome. No auditions are required. For more information, call Debbie Davis at 847-395-0272.

NEIGHBORS

Name: Linda Mehnert

Home: Lake Villa

Occupation: I am a former teacher in Lake Villa District 41 turned grandma and Mary Kay consultant.

Community involvement: I am an active supporter of the Art Works

Children's Museum in Fox Lake, co-chair of Women of Achievement and table captain for Circle of Women fundraising events for the YWCA of Lake County, Waukegan. I am the outgoing secretary for the Women's Business Exchange, a professional women's networking group.

I'm originally from: Champaign

I graduated from: Southern Illinois University, Carbondale (B.S. and M.S.)

My family consists of: My husband, Dave; our adult sons Mike and John; daughter-in-law, Gail; grandchildren, Abbey, Jacob, Hannah, Madeline; and my motherin-law, Jean

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My pets are: Two Newfoundland dogs and a calico cat named Patches

What I like best about Lake Villa: We've lived in Lake Villa for 14 out of the last 22 years. I like the small town feel with the conveniences of the suburbs.

Hobbies: Besides our grandchildren, I enjoy working out early in the morning,

tole painting, being on the almost eight acres of woods where our house is located and spending time with friends

Favorite movie: My favorite movie is the Civil War movie "Glory"

Favorite local restaurant: Incognito, in Fox Lake

Favorite home-cooked meal: Tuna steak on the grill with salad

If I had \$ million, I would: After investing it so it would last, I would hire a personal trainer and a chef. Then I would travel as much as possible with my family and friends.

If you have a "Neighbor" that you would like to see profiled in this column, call Lakeland Newspapers at 847-223-8161.

Calendar

GOT SOMETHING GOING ON? GIVE US A CALL!

Call 847-223-8161 or e-mail calendar@lakelandmedia.com A 14-day notice is requested for all items.

Friday, December 5

6:30 p.m., 14th Annual "The Spririt of Saint Nicholas Ball," to benefit the children served by Catholic Charitles, held at the Chicago Hilton and Towers Hotel, 720 S. Michigan Ave. in Chicago. Dinner served at 8 p.m. Enjoy live music at the black tie gala. Tickets begin at \$400 per person. Call 312-655-7907

Santa's Enchanted Castle open in downtown Antioch, Santa's Castle is open every day for children to visit with Santa. Each child receives a book and crayons with their visit. Photos available for a fee. Open through Dec. 23

7:30 p.m., Holiday Concert by The Lakes Area Community Band held at the United Methodist Church, 848 Main St. (Rte. 83) In Antioch. The performance will include many Christmas favorites Including March of the Toys, selections by Leroy Anderson, Irving Berlin and others. Also appearing will be the Sweet Adelines and local guest musicians. All are welcome, admission is free. Come early for best seating. Call Debble at 847-395-0272

8 p.m. Frl. and Sat., 2:30 p.m. on Sun., PM&L. Theatre presents, "Scrooge" at the theatre, 877 Main St. In Antioch. Due to demand, two matinee shows have been added on Saturdays Nov. 29 and Dec. 6 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$13 for adults, \$10 for students thru high school age and seniors. Call 847-395-3055 for tickets

Saturday, December 6

9 a.m.-4 p.m., Annual Festival of Arts & Crafts hosted by Victory Lakes with handmade crafts and artistic items for sale. Held at the center, 1055 East Grand Ave. in Lindenhurst. Proceeds benefit the residents of Victory Lakes Care Center. For info., call 847-356-5900

9 a.m.-1 p.m., Advent Day of Recollection hosted by the Council of Catholic Nurses of Lake County at Holy Family Church, 450 Keller Ave. in Waukegan. Potluck brunch follows, bring a dish to pass. \$10, \$15 for non-members, all nurses welcome. For Info., call Ellen at 847-249-2120

Sat. 12-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m., Save-A-Pet, a not-for-profit, no-kill animal shelter, located at 31664 N. Fairfield Rd in Grayslake, IL, is hosting its Annual Hollday Open House & Craft/Bake Sale held at the shelter. Author Dr. Kim Odgen on hand to sign her new book

8 p.m., Holiday Dance hosted by Parents Without Partners at Stratford Banquet Hall in Grayslake. Dress attire requested. Call 847-817-5687 or visit www.geocltles.com/heartland/lake/5504

Sunday, December 7

8 a.m.-noon, Breakfast with Santa hosted by Cub Scout Pack 291 at Prince of Peace Church In Lake Villa. Breakfast of pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee for a donation of \$25 for families (parents and children), or \$6 for adults, \$3 per child at the door. Santa will be there for photos and the Scouts will offer activities for children

Monday, December 8
12:45 p.m., Bingo held at The Antioch Senior

Center, call 847-395-7120 for details

9:30-11:30 a.m., Prairie Patch Quilting Guild meets at Shepherd of the Lakes Church, Grayslake, call 847-223-5759

7-9 p.m., Lakes Area Community Band rehearsal at Antioch Community High School, information at 847-395-6729

Tuesday, December 9

1 p.m., AARP (for adults 55 and older) meets at Antioch Senior Center, 817 Holbeck Dr., for more info., call Sharon Nowak at 847-395-5068

6:45 p.m., Antioch VFW Bingo, doors open 4:30 p.m., call 8447-395-5393

7-8 p.m. Weigh to Win program held at Calvary Christian Center, Monaville Rd., west of Rte. 83 in Lake Villa. Call 847-356-6181 for info.

7:30 p.m., Mothers & More group meets at the State Bank of the Lakes in Grayslake. Call Lisa at 847-548-0883 or visit www.mothersandmore.org

Wednesday, December 10 9 a.m., H.O.M.E. (Home Office Managers & Entrepreneurs) group meets at First Midwest Bank, 300 N. Hunt Club Rd. (1st floor conference room) in Gurnee. Call 847-367-7118

8 a.m., ABWA meets at Keller Williams Realty Office on Rte. 83, south of Rte. 173 in Antioch. For more info., call Nancy at 847-838-6500

6:30 p.m., TOPS Weight Loss weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting at Antioch Senior Center, 817 Holbeck, info. at 847-395-6443 or 847-395-8143

7-8:30 p.m., A Safe Place/Lake County Crisis offers free support groups in Lake County for women who are victims of abuse. Meetings in Round Lake, call 847-249-4450

10 a.m., Lake County Women's Club meets at State Bank of the Lakes, 50 Commerce Dr. in Grayslake. Make new frlends and enjoy a variety of activities. For details, call 847-548-4250

1 p.m., Antioch Woman's Club regular meeting at United Methodist Church of Antioch, info. at 847-395-4210

Thursday, December 11
12:30-2 p.m., Christmas Luncheon hosted by

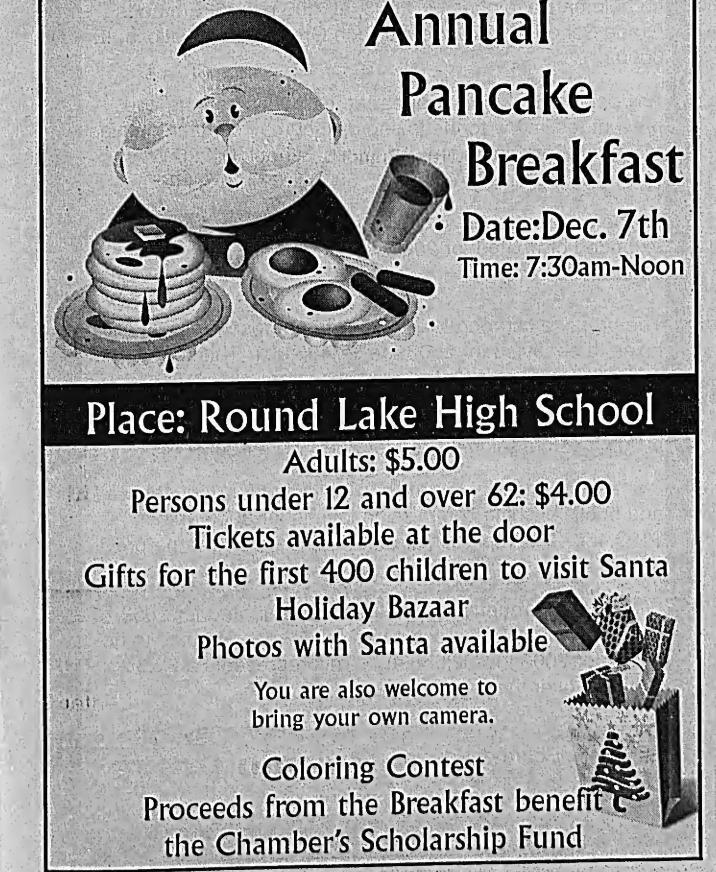
the Christian Women's Connection. Held at Twin Oaks Country Inn, Hwy. C in Wilmot, Wis. Cost is \$11 and includes lunch. To RSVP, call Judi at 847-546-9481. Free nursery available

Friday, December 12

7:30-8:30 a.m., The Business Networking Group meets at Centre Lights Cafe next to Condell in Libertyville, call Dan at 847-803-9904

Saturday, December 13

9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sat. & Sun., Breakfast with Santa at the Country Inn Restaurant at Lambs Farm, 14245 W. Rockland Rd. in Libertyville. Two seatings available. Cost is \$11.95 for adults, \$15.95 for ages 2-10, \$6 for ages 2 and under and includes visit with Santa, one photo with Santa, crafts, and gift from Santa. Seating is limited, RSVP at 847-362-5050



Screening can reduce risk of stroke

A good way to ring in the new year is to take 10 minutes to screen for and, therefore, reduce the risk of stroke.

Residents living in and around Antioch can register for an appointment for the tests when Life Line Screening comes to St. Peter Church on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2004.

Life Line reports that 75 percent of all strokes are linked to carotid artery blockage. It screens these arteries to determine stroke risk.

The tests it conducts are non-invasive, painless ultrasound screenings. Each takes about 10 minutes.

An additional screening of the arteries of the legs is performed to check for peripheral artery disease that is linked to heart disease. A third test addresses aneurysms in the aortic vessel of the abdomen.

Life Line also offers bone density screening as a preventative program.

Anyone over the age of 40 is encouraged to participate. This program is open to the public

Each of the three vascular tests is \$45. Complete vascular screening is \$99.

Osteoporosis screening is \$35, separately or can be added to the vascular screening for a total cost of \$125.

Pre-registration is required. Early morning appointments are said to fill first.

For more information and to schedule an appointment, call 800-407-4557. St. Peter Church is located at 557 Lake Street, by the Jewel store.

Church hosts Eat parborn brunch speaker shop a

Antioch Community Lighthouse Aglow International is hosting Gwen Hawley as guest speaker for its monthly brunch on Dec. 13 at the State Bank of The Lakes in Spring Grove.

Fellowship is from 10:15-10:30 a.m. with brunch following promptly at 10:30 a.m.

Hawley is both a high school counselor and a clothing and jewelry designer. Her talents are said to reflect on her ability to recognize beauty in the world and the soul within.

The cost of the brunch is \$8. Reservations are requested by Tuesday evening, Dec. 9. To make a reservation or to attain more information, call 847-395-5636.

Youth Sports

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Eat pancakes, shop at Hillcrest

Everyone is welcome to join Santa for a pancake breakfast at Hillcrest Elementary School on Dec. 6 from 8 a.m.-noon.

"Come one, come all," said Karen Meyer, PTO president. "There will be pancakes and many fun activities. Crafters will have their holiday best on display at the craft fair."

Additionally, the Scholastic Book Fair will be open for those in need of reading materials or books for holiday gifts.

Santa's secret shop will be open for children to purchase a gift for that "special someone." Of course, children can have their pictures taken with Santa.

Tickets for the breakfast will be sold at the door. The cost is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. Those under 3 years old eat for free.

Hillcrest is located at 433 Depot, just west of the intersection of Depot and Deep Lake Road.

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Eye for perfection

Artist John Eslinger straightens a piece in his exhibit "Turned Vessels" during a special reception held to honor the Antioch Fine Arts Foundation's second anniversary at its Main Street gallery. The gallery is currently hosting a show featuring foundation artists James Robellard, photography; Judith Chinski, watercolors; and Eslinger, wood. — Photo by J.W. Stemickle

PM&L hosts Readers' Theater

PM&L Theatre will host one production of the Readers' Theater adaptation of "Eloise at Christmas" on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 2:30 p.m. at the theater, located at 877 Main St., Antioch.

The production, directed by Dianne Hosken of Lindenhurst, is a story about a little girl who lives with her nanny at the Plaza

Hotel in New York City. Betty Smouse, publicity director for PM&L, said, "It is a zany, funny, holiday treat that will entertain kids and adults at the same time."

Admission is free and reservations are not necessary. The program will last about one hour.

For more information, call 847-356-8211.

Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase For Antioch Community Consolidated School District #34

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed tax levy increase for Antioch Community Consolidated School District #34 for 2003 will be held on December 16, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. at 817 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois 60002. Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Dr. John W. Hunt, Superintendent, 800 Main St., Antioch, Illinois, 60002 (847) 838-8400.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2002 were \$10,302,102.30.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2003 are \$12,361,320.

This represents a 19.99% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2002 are \$839,046.11. The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2003 are \$881,328. This represents a 5.03% increase over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2002 were \$11,141,148.40. The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2003 are \$13,242,648. This represents an 18.86% increase over the previous year.

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Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase For Emmons Grade School District No. 33 County of Lake, State of Illinois

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for Emmons Grade School District 33 for 2003 will be held on December 16, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. at Emmons Grade School, 24226 West Beach Grove Road, Antioch, IL 60002.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Mathias M. Tabar, Superintendent, Emmons School, 24226 West Beach Grove Road, Antioch, IL 60002 (847-395-1105).

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2002 were \$1,959,140.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2003 are \$2,465,001. This represents a 25.8% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2002 were \$208,774.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2003 are \$193,456. This represents a 7.9% decrease over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2002 were \$2,167,914. The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2003 are \$2,658,457. This represents a 22.6% increase over the previous year.

Lori Bruce Secretary, Board of Education

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Fall finally comes to an end

I know what the calendar says. Winter officially begins on Dec. 21 with the Winter Equinox. But for local sports writers it's a different story.

For us, winter usually begins when the last local football team loses in the state play-

Given that, until Carmel won the Class 6A state title game last weekend, Lake County had not had a state champion in football since Deerfield in 1975, our Fall season usually ends about mid-November.

By now, Lakeland has usually run a steady diet of boys and girls basketball stories, with the occasional wrestling and bowling recap.

But this year Carmel and Libertyville, which reached the state title game in Class 7A, threw a monkey wrench into those plans. · And all I can say is "Thank You" to both of them.

Thanks for giving me, and other writers, the chance to cover something that might not happen again for the next 28 years.

Thanks for giving fans something extra to cheer about.

And thanks for raising the bar for football in Lake County.

There were also several other local athletes who gave every reason to make their schools and the Lakeland area proud, including, but not limited to, Grayslake freshman tennis star Lynne Poggensee-Wei, who earned first-team All-State honors; Antioch's Andy Napier, who finished fourth in the state cross country meet; and Vernon Hills' Lauren Hallyburton, who finished in the top-10 at the state diving finals.

With the leaves long since dead and raked, now it's time to start the winter season, and it's shaping up to be a good one. And it all starts with basketball.

Now, although I can't extend my feelings about basketball to the NBA, I will borrow its current saying. "I love this game!"

College and high school basketball showcases the game in its purest form, the way it was meant to be played.

Hard screens, motion offense, hardnosed defense. I nat s basketball,

And there are several area teams, and players, worth watching. So go out and watch the type of play that would make Dr. James Naismith proud.

And it should be the duty of any true fan to see a game at "The Dog Pound" in Waukegan.

There's also wrestling out there, if that's your thing. And Lake County always has some strong wrestling programs. And don't forget about bowling and hockey and gymnastics:

Even though the Fall sports season is now over, the Lake County sports fan, and yours truly, has a full plate this Winter.

I'm going off on a tangent here, but I have to get this off my chest because I'm tired of hearing it. It'll only happen once, I promise.

The Bears will NOT make the playoffs. Thanks, I feel better now.

Rob Backus can be reached at 847-223-8161 x. 132 or at rbackus@lakelandmedia.com

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First quarter blues haunting Sequoits

By JOHN PHELPS Lakeland Correspondent

If they started games as strong as they finished them, head coach Tom Duffy and his Sequoits could easily be 4-0.

Instead, somewhat lackadaisical first quarter play yielded a 1-3 mark in the seasonopening Lake-Cook Shootout.

"I can't explain it. We take a while finding the basket," Duffy said. "But then our defense starts shutting down opponents and our offense gets things going (after the first period). We have a lot of depth, so we're able to wear teams down as the game goes on. Too bad we couldn't play five quarters."

The 1-3 record to date, however, is misleading. Antioch has been in every game basically until the end.

In a 58-56 loss to Wheeling in the opener of the Lake-Cook Shootout, Antioch held a five-point lead midway through the final period. But a couple of missed free throws and two key three-pointers helped the Wildcats escape.

Senior guard/forward Kyle White had the hot hand, finishing with 18 points.

Unfortunately, White suffered a sprained ankle late in the game. Antioch's leading scorer from a year ago, White missed the next three games.

Duffy said he could be ready to return the week of Dec. 8.

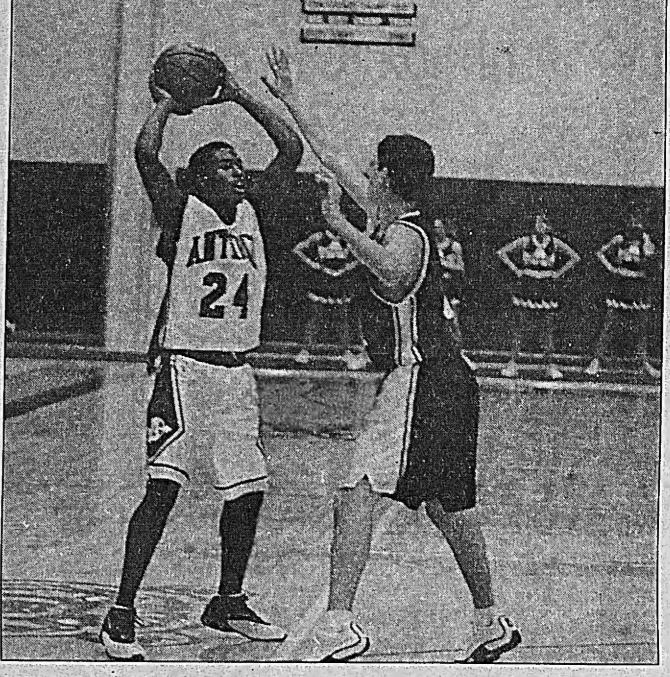
"It's not a terrible sprain, but it has all kinds of cool colors," said a joking Duffy. "But seriously, we fumbled around a little in the second game without Kyle in there. He's such a big part of our offense. But others have stepped up. It seems like a different guy every night, which is good because other teams don't know who to key on."

You know senior forward Eric Lear will draw his share of attention. Lear complemented White with 11 points in the Wheeling loss. Lear then led Antioch with 12 points, while senior forward Chris Kiddoo chipped in 10 during a 54-46 loss to Maine East in the sec-

'Again, that was the first game we didn't have Kyle in there," Duffy said. "We fell behind early and were playing catch-up the entire time."

Antioch again got off to a slow start in its third game of the Shootout against Grayslake. But this time, they were able to recover for a 49-42 victory.

"We were down 15-4 after the first quar-



Antioch's Marshall Perry looks for an open teammate in his team's 54-46 loss to Maine East. The Sequoits will be at Lake Forest Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m.—Photo by Steve Young

ter but our defense held them to 27 points the final three quarters," Duffy said.

Chandler Kent hit for 14 of his gamehigh 16 points in the fourth frame. Ryan Eder chipped in with 11.

"We ran a couple of plays for Chandler right off the bat in the second half when we needed him. And he responded."

In the final game of the tournament, Antioch got 12 points from Marshall Perry, who had been starting in place of White. Lear scored 10. Eder's three-pointer came just after the buzzer sounded as Highland Park held on to beat the Sequoits 50-47.

Antioch's early season tests continue when the team travels to Lake Forest for a key North Suburban Lake tilt on Friday, Dec. 5. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

"They (Lake Forest) have some big guys, with Ryan Paxson, Colin Finley and John Burke," Duffy said. "We'll try wear them out by pushing the ball up more."

Lear and Kiddoo will have their hands full guarding the post.

The Sequoits will then return home for a non-conference game against Carmel the following day. Tip-off will also be at 7:30 p.m.

Lady Rams off to fast start on season

By ROB BACKUS rbackus@lakelandmedia.com

Although the Rams lost two all-area players in Tiffany Lehner and Erin Myers to graduation, Grayslake coach Mike Hirsch knows his team has what it takes to win.

"This team has a killer instinct and the heart and desire to win," Hirsch said.

No one embodies heart and desire more than diminutive senior guard Kayla Ming, who, although she stands at just 5-feet, 7inches tall, is capable of taking over a game through sheer will and determination.

'Kayla has the heart of a tiger," Hirsch said of Ming, a four-year starter who averaged 16 points and six rebounds per game last season.

The Rams will also rely heavily upon returning players Bethany Russ, Rachel Miner and Erica Fadden to improve on last year's 26-6 record.

Bethany and Rachel are capable of leading us on any night," Hirsch said. "And Erica is a very unselfish player who can also put up some points."

All of those players, and others, helped Grayslake to a 5-0 showing in the 12-team Deerfield Holiday Tournament.

The great start comes with a catch, however, as the Rams were paired against lesser teams, including one JV squad which had to fill in after another team pulled out.

"We have a good team but we haven't been tested yet," Hirsch said. "We did what I expected. I was disappointed that we didn't play a more challenging schedule."

In game one, Grayslake fell behind to Deerfield 26-14 in the second quarter but

turned it on with a 29-7 run in the third quarter to win 64-44.

Ming led the Rams with 20 points, followed by Russ' 15.

In game two, Grayslake shellacked New Trier's JV team 78-34 behind the strong play of Ming (17 points), Miner (14 points) and Russ (10 points).

The Rams also crushed Highland Park in game three, 66-31. Five Grayslake players hit double figures, including: Ming (17 points), Rachel Manuel (12 points), Nicole Schroeder (11 points), Lauren Trentadue (10 points) and Fadden (10 points).

"We were able to get a bunch of players some experience," Hirsch said.

The Rams got a bit of a test in their next game, but still managed to beat Lake Forest 63-54 behind 26 points from Ming and 10 points from Miner.

"It was a good game," Hirsch said. "We just had the experience to pull away in the second half."

Grayslake played in another laugher to close out the tournament, crushing Round Lake 66-23.

Mind led the Rams with 17 points and Manuel (10 points) and Ashley Brennan (9 points) also had solid efforts.

Up next for Grayslake (6-0) is a pair of home games against Crystal Lake South on Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. and Jaconds on Dec. 9 at 7



Team

- L Stevenson (4-0) 2. Zion-Benton (2-0) 3. Warren (2-1)
- 4. Waukegan (1-2) 5. Grant (2-1) 6. Mundelein (2-1)
- 7. Johnsburg (2-1) 8. Libertyville (1-2)
- 9. Lake Forest (2-2) 10. North Chicago (1-2)
- 11. Wauconda (1-2) 12. Antioch (1-3)
- 13. Grayslake (1-3) 14. Vernon Hills (1-3)
- 15. Carmel (0-3)
- 16. Lake Zurich (0-3) 17. Round Lake (0-3)
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Potential loss of Murdock will hurt Panthers.

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Next opponent



Stein



Walsh



Bosworth

Elmhurst College features 3 local hoops players

By STEVE PETERSON speterson@lakelandmedia.com

Three Lake County graduates are contributing to Elmhurst College basketball teams

Ashley Stein, a graduate of Mundelein, is a member of the women's team.

Brian Walsh, of Antioch and Wayne Bosworth, Grant, are members of the men's team.

The women's squad is 0-2 after two tough losses at their own Tipoff Tournament. Stein was named to the All-tournament team. Elmhurst lost 60-59 to Eureka and 59-54 to Fontbonne University.

Stein, a sophomore forward, was 11-of-22 in field goals and had a career-high 29 points and also had nine rebounds. Stein's jumper pulled the Bluejays to within a point with 22 seconds left.

Walsh, of Lindenhurst, is a 6-4 forward

A graduate of Antioch High, Walsh was a two-time letter winner in basketball. He earned team MVP honors as a senior. Walsh was also an Illinois State Scholar and a member of the North Suburban Conference All-Academtic Team.

He is the son of John and Bonnie Walsh.
After placing fifth last season in the
College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin
(CCIW), the Bluejays are picked third in the
preseason coaches' poll.

Elmhurst beat Wis. Lutheran 94-70 in the season opener. Bosworth was 7-of-9 shooting for 15 points. Bosworth holds the Grant High School individual scoring record.

Elmhust's men's team will host the Press Publications Bluejay Classic Dec. 19 and 20 at R.A. Faganel Hall, 221 Walter St., in Elmhurst.

Lake Villa T'Wolves announce football award winners

On Nov. 23 the Lake Villa Township Youth Football League and Cheerleaders held its annual awards ceremony at Antioch Community High School.

All participants were awarded a participation trophy for all of their hard work and effort throughout the season.

Ken Ratajczyk, head coach of the varsity team, awarded the following outgoing eighth grade players special plaques for outstanding achievement in their respective categories. The players received the awards based on the votes of teammates and coaches.

Larry Andersen was awarded Most Valuable Player. Larry was the leading scorer for the Timberwolves this year and his amazing speed was the key to his success.

Randy Ratajczyk, the team's quarterback, received Offensive Player of the Year. Randy led the offense this year with his proficient passing ability.

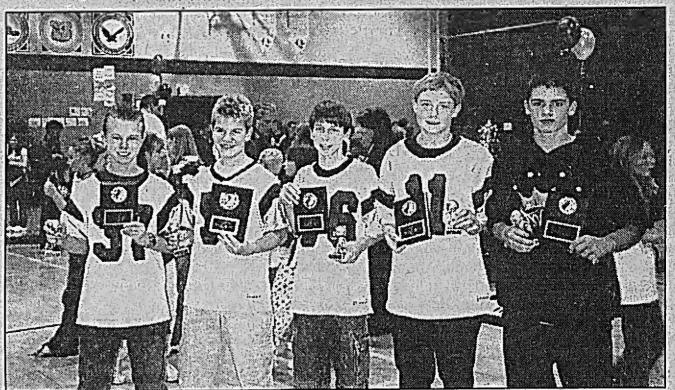
Bradley Williams received Defensive

Player of the Year. He showed determination in playing his position and was a very reliable safety on the team.

The Most Improved Player award was given to Kevin Schilling. He proved to be very strong on offense during the season, scoring a touchdown in the team's win over Round Lake. Even though this was his first year playing football, his athletic ability enabled him to be a true asset to the team.

The organization was honored to have Chuck Grasser attend the ceremony and he presented the Grasser Award to Tyler Noe, the team's center. The Grasser Award began nine years ago to honor Grasser's son, Ken, a football player who was killed in an automobile accident.

Noe has player for the Timberwolves for the past four years and truly exemplifies good sportsmanship, team leadership and love of the sport.



Lake Villa Timberwolves players accept their awards. The recipients were, from left, Kevin Schilling, Tyler Noe, Bradley Williams, Randy Ratajczyk and Larry Andersen.—Submitted Photo

Rams off to a slow start on season

By STEVE PETERSON speterson@lakelandmedia.com

"Shooter, shooter," the fans

"Shooter, shooter," the fans from Highland Park would shout every time Josh Peregrin touched the ball.

They had good reason to be concerned. The senior guard kept the Rams close with 16 points and four three-pointers in a 50-42 Lake-Cook tournament loss. The Rams were 0-2, after also dropping a game to Glenbrook

North 66-28 in the first round.

"He is the only one doing it for us right now," said Rams coach Tim Bowen. "We have some guys dinged up and we have a lot of learning to do. We do not have anyone who can create an open shot and when we do, they don't go in."

The Rams fought hard against Antioch before falling but did have their efforts rewarded with a 63-41 win over Maine East,





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HASTINGS LAKE STINGRAYS ROUNDUP

The Hastings Lake Stingrays defeated the Lattof Neptunes in a dual meet held on Nov. 22.

The following individuals scored points during the meet:

25 Freestyle

Girls 6 and under 1. Lisa Buehler 30.56

Girls 7-8

1. Natalie Brooker 19.58, 2. Kylie Arena 20.75, 4. Megan Landry 21.13

Boys 7-8

1. Kirk Dickson 17.27, 2. John Zalewski 17.71, 4. John Garland 19.47, 4. Daniel Ostrander 20.84

50 Freestyle

Giris 7-8

1. Brooker 47.21, 2. Arena 49.92, 3. Landry 51.30, 5. Jennifer Kramer 55.32

Boys 7-8

1 Zalewski 39.86, 3. Garland 43.24, 4. Ostrander 51.16, 5. Peter Doetsch 53.64

Giris 9-10

1. Michelle Garland 29.90

1. Tyler Craig 33.44, 2. Hayden Ford 38.17

Girls 11-12

1. Mesa Schmidt 29.19, 2. Shannon Zalewski 31.36, 4. Sam Myers 32.07, 5. Rachele Hartmann 32.70

Boys 11-12

1. Jamie Landry 33.44, 4. Mickey Hathuc 48.76

Girls 13-14

4. Ashley Sharpe 31.15, 5. Sara Kees 32.75

Women 15 -18

2. Bethany Brooker 28.18, 3. Kelly McIlhany 30.91

Men 15-18

3. Nick Johnson 26.53

100 Freestyle

Girls 9-10

1. Garland 1:06.53, 2. Taylor Aerne 1:17.47, 3. Jennifer Wisbey 1:20.58

Boys 9-10

1. Ford 1:26.64, 3. Andrew Lindquist 1:31.92

Girls 11-12

1. Zalewski 1:07.57, 2. Hartmann 1:15.74, 4. Melissa Buehler 1:20.05

Boys 11-12

3. Hathuc 1:57.59

Girls 13 -14

2. Danielle Lindquist 1:05.52, 3. Katie Ostrander 1:05.95, 4. Sharpe 1:12.54, 5. Kees 1:12.83

Boys 13-14

2. Eric Sharpe 1:18.88

Women 15 -18

1. Brooker 1:02.17, 3. Melissa Drangines 1:04.82, 4. McIlhany 1:09.54

Men 15-18

2. Zack Johnson 56.58

200 Freestyle

Girls 11-12

2. Myers 2:29.78, 3. Emma Regnier 2:33.31, 5. Katharine Majewski 2:44.29

Boys 11-12

2. Tyler Craig 2:38.91, 4. Landry 2:47.68, 5. Steven Ostrander 2:47.96

Girls 13 -14

2. Ostrander 2:23.36

Boys 13-14 1. Lukas Levad 2:11.65, 4. Sharpe 2:52.64

500 Freestyle

Girls 13 -14

3. Schmidt 6:04.10

Boys 13-14

1. Tyler Craig 6:58.17

25 Butterfly

Boys 7-8

1. Kyle Aerne 18.06

50 Butterfly

Girls 9-10

2. Makayla Thompson 41.95

Boys 9-10

1. Robert Corbett 42.43

Girls 11-12

2. Regnier 35.73, 3. Majewski 36.65, 4. Stephanie Kramer 41.08, 5. Megan Corbett 44.32

Boys 11-12

3. Ostrander 42.53

100 Butterfly

Boys 13-14 1. Levad 1:06.99

25 Backstroke

Girls 6 and under

1. Buehler 31.68

Girls 7-8 1.Arena 25.03, 4. Landry 26.37

Boys 7-8 1. Aerne 19.73, 2. Kirk

Dickson 23.27, 3. Garland 26.34,

5. Michael Landry 30.58 50 Backstroke

Girls 9-10

1. Garland 35.55, 2. Wisbey 42.01, 5. Aerne 46.15

Girls 11-12

1. Regnier 37.74, 2. Kramer 39.99, 3. Majewski 40.97, 5. Kathryn Dickson 42.19

Boys 11-12

1. Landry 38.33, 3. Ostrander

100 Backstroke

Girls 13-14

1. Ostrander 1:21.30, 3. Sharpe 1:29.96, 4. Samantha Ford 1:56.69

Boys 13-14

1. Levad 1:07.92, 3. Eric Sharpe 1:46.46

Women 15 - 18

1. Bethany Brooker 1:12.18, 2. McIlhany 1:17.66

Men 15-18

3. Nick Johnson 1:07.44

25 Breaststroke

Girls 7-8

2. Brooker 25.21, 4.Kramer 29.75

2. Zalewski 25.03, 3. Peter Doetsch 25.54, 4. Ostrander 25.73

50 Breaststroke

2. Thompson 48.80, 4. Alex Canevello 49.74

Boys 9-10

2. Corbett 53.15, 3. Andrew Lindquist 1:04.55, 4. Hayden Ford 1:08.47

Girls 11-12

3. Schmidt 41.79, 5. Myers 42.28

Boys 11-12

2. Hathuc 1:05.51

100 Breaststroke

Girls 13 -14

3. Sara Kees 1:33.18

Women 15 -18 2. Melissa Drangines 1:24.84

Men 15-18

2. Zack Johnson 1:17.58

100 IM

Boys 7-8

1. Aerne 1:29.23

Girls 9-10 2. Thompson 1:31.76, 3. Wisbey 1:35.52, 5. Samantha

Frank 1:39.82

Boys 9-10 1. Corbett 1:34.44

200 IM

Girls 11-12

1. Kramer 3:00.65

Boys 11-12

Landry 3:07.10, 2. Ostrander 3:08.38

1. Lindquist 2:43.36

Girls 13-14

Women 15 -18 2. Drangines 2:51.60

Men 15-18 1. Zack Johnson 2:19.26

The Stingrays will participate in Gender Wars, an invitational meet sponsored by theLeaning Tower YMCA in

FROM PAGE A1

RAMS Doug Hanson tallied 14 points and Jay Bajgert

12 in the win. Hanson tallied eight points in the losing effort against Highland Park. Poor free throw shooting hurt the Rams, who were

3-of-10 from the charity stripe. Highland Park opened a 10-point lead by the end of the third quarter and tallied the first two hoops in the fourth quarter. But two treys by Peregrin, one on a nice assist from Travis Guy (4 points) kept the

Rams' hopes alive. Highland Park struggled early at the line, but scored 7 of its final 10 points from the free-throw line and its final basket came on a trey. The Giants had balanced scoring, with six players scoring between six and 11 points. Menji Mandell led the winners with 11. The Giants pulled away with

a 15-8 run in the third quarter. The Rams hung tough in the early stages, with Hanson scoring off a pass from point guard Andrew Forshee and Peregrin hitting his first trey for an 8-6 lead. It would be the last Grayslake lead for the game. Peregrin finished 6-for-12 shooting from the field. Travis Guy was 2-for-4 and Hanson 4-for-11 but did well on defense as he had 3 steals to led the team there. The Rams were 17-for-42, 40.5 percent, from the

The Rams lost to Antioch 49-42 despite 21 points and seven rebounds by Bajgert on 6-of-13 shooting and 8-11 from the free-throw line. The Rams led 15-4 early but Antioch rallied. The Rams made just 9for-21 from the free-throw line. Hanson scored six points and had five rebounds and three steals. Kent Chandler led the Sequoits with 16 points and Ryan Eder had

11, including a trey. Grayslake is at Crystal Lake South Dec. 5 in Fox Valley Conference play. Wheeling is next, also on the road, Dec. 9. Grayslake's second home game of the year is Dec. 12 against Jacobs.

Lady Lancers need to hit the glass By ROB BACKUS rbackus@lakelandmedia.com

After finishing 16-16 last year and with three starters returning, CLC women's basketball coach Bill Braman was optimistic

heading into this season. And despite a 2-5 start, he still is. "We're taking a bit longer to devel-

op," Braman said. "We have potential, but there's still a long way to go. But by the end of the year we will be a strong

The Lady Lancers have speed and quickness in returning players Gina Spear (10 points, 4.3 rebounds per game, 98 three-pointers), Amber Henley (10.9 points, 1.5 steals). They also have a little size, in 6-foot,

1-inch center Erica Brown, who averaged

12.5 points and 7.6 rebounds per game last season. Unfortunately, Brown is about all the size CLC has, and, since she has missed the last three games due to illness, the Lady Lancers have been getting killed on

the boards. In an 82-44 loss to Highland, CLC was out-rebounded 53-19.

"We had tremendous problems on the boards," Braman said. "We're a very short team, but that's not an excuse. We still need to box out and get proper positioning."

The Lady Lancers have tried to compensate for their lack of height by going up-tempo, but the improvement has been marginal, at best.

"When you go up-tempo, you need to get steals," Braman said. "But our steals haven't been enough to make up for our poor rebounding."

Jeanetta Ayers-Bersch (12 points) was the lone CLC player in double figures in the loss to Highland. The Lady Lancers started the week

with an 82-56 loss to Kishwaukee. In this game, poor defense led to CLC's downfall. "We were in it until a 10-point run broke it open," Braman said. "We broke

down on defense and we didn't rotate quickly enough. We need to solve that." Kristin Piasecki led CLC with 25 points. Tiffany Muehe and Amber Henley

each added 8 points. The next night, however, the Lady Lancers were able to bounce back with a 77-73 win over Morton.

Piasecki (19 points), Muehe (18 points) and Kristin Poglayen (16 points) led CLC (2-5). "We matched up well today," Braman said. "We had a good distribution of points. Hopefully, we can look like this all

the time." Up next for CLC is a home game against UW-Waukesha on Dec. 4.

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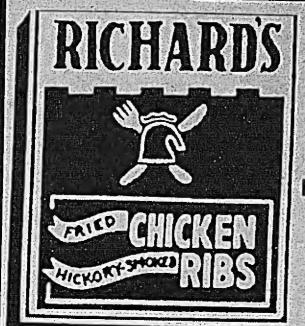
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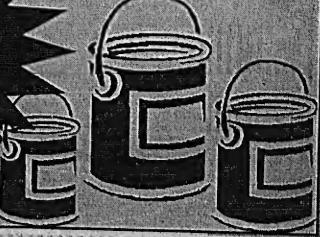
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Round Lake Area Park District Ranger Michaelle Benz shops for books with 2-year-old Isaac Cordova during the 2002 "Shop with a Cop" at the Round Lake Beach Wal-Mart. Over 250 area children were given \$100 each to spend on toys, games, clothes and even gifts for their own family members. This year, the program hopes to serve its 1,200th child.— Photo by Sandy Bressner.

By JEFF ZACHARY zachary@lakelandmedia.com

ome people claim that firefighters and police officers are heroes, while others say they are just people doing their jobs.

However, in the greater Round Lake community in December, there is no arguing that cops are looked up to with respect and love by many parents and children.

For the past eight years, the Round Lake Park-Hainesville Police Department has sponsored the "Shop with a Cop" program, which has officers driving children from the Round Lake Roller Rink, where they skate and party with police officers, to the Wal-Mart in Round Lake Beach, where they Christmas shop together.

Each child is given \$100, donated by area businesses and individuals, and allowed to buy whatever he or she wants.

"Just for the moment try to forget the image of rugged police officers, Round Lake Park-Hainesville Police Chief Bruce Johnson

said, with a boyish grin. "I just love seeing these big tough officers putting Barbie-slippers on little girls while trying to guess what size to

The "Shop with a Cop" program in Round Lake Park began in 1996 as a way to help bring joy to children in the community and provide an opportunity for cops to give to children and families in a heart-opening way.

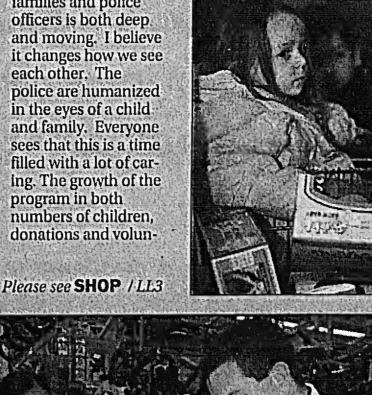
The first year there were only 18 children in the program but the program has grown each year, reaching a high of 240 children in 2002.

"So much of a police officer's career is spent seeing and reacting to negative behaviors. Often, they do not get to see the effect of their actions, which may have positively impacted a family. Consequently, they don't get to spend enough time seeing the results of their efforts, "Shop with a Cop" provides them an opportunity to give, help and care for children and families and see the joy it brings to them. The difference it makes in their holiday season is enough to make any police officer feel

humbled," Johnson

"My heart has been touched so many times over the past years by the children, their families and the officers. When the officers are paired with the children, the kids are wide-eyed with the image of a police officer who sincerely wants to make a difference with that child. The trip to Wal Mart in the squad car, and then the actual shopping through the aisles and personally helping to pick pre-

sents, ultimately equates to much more than giving a child money. The relationship and bond between the children, families and police officers is both deep. and moving. I believe each other. The police are humanized in the eyes of a child and family. Everyone sees that this is a time program in both donations and volun-





Round Lake Beach Police Officer Mike Scott goes over toy purchases with Sharon Lloyd and her daughter, Shakira Griffin, 4.—Photo by Sandy Bressner



(above) Cassandra Salazar, 8, leads the way as Officer Waymon Vela of the Winthrop Harbor Police Department tries to keep up (below) two-year-old Jennifer Hoening waits with the \$100 worth of toys she chose.-Photos. by Sandy Bressner



December 5, 2003

Names of Police Departments that participate in the Round Lake Park Shop with a Cop program:

Gurnee Police Department

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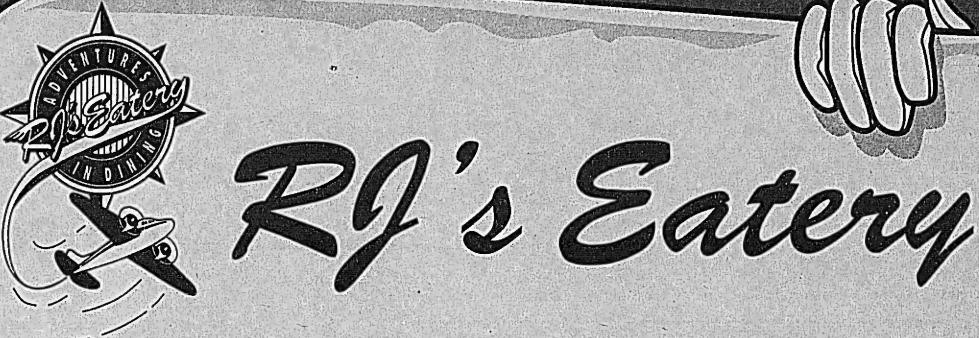
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Waukegan Police Department Winthrop Harbor Police Department.

Names of police officers who have participated in the Round Lake Park Shop with a Cop:

Edward Aleckson, Allan Anderson, Andy Anderson, Anthony Anderson, Michael Barr, Jamie Beake, Michael Bock, Audra Bonaroti, Clint Borawski, Brian Burch, Daniel Burch, Brian Carey, Ellen Chism, Dave Cosatino, John Crilly, Alex Dador, Sheriff Gary Del Re, Eman Delarosa, Jeffery Diehl, Fabien Dixon, William Dosten, Kevin Dybowski, Armando Escamilla, Amy Essenpreis, Courtney Essenpreis, George Filenko, Cram Florendo, Charles Foy, Patricia Gallarneau, Donald Gardiner, Ellen Geary, Keith George, Ray Gilbert, Mel Gibson, Zach Glassman, Robert Goeppner, Paul Grace, Michael Gregory, Mike Gregory, Michael Greisz, Gus Gustafson, Gust Gustafson, Brian Hanley, Ken Heerdegen, Rick Hileman, Mark Hinchy, John Hird, Jeff Jacobs, Howard Jens, Bruce Johnson, Don Johnson, Keith Kaiser, Kalman Kalin, Dennis Kehrer, Michael Keller, David Kirk, Mark Klenzman, Len Knapcik, Kenneth Knaus, Kevin Kozanecke, Anthony Kropp, Clarence Kropp, James La Valley, Kevin Lamb, Dan Laudick, Bob Leahy, Terry Lemming, Hector Lepe, Jonathan Levin, Vic Ligenza, Roger Lowis, John Lucas, Gary Lunn, Kevin Magee, Roy Maki, Fred Manetti, Lashanda Martin, Eric Maurer, Michael McGarrigle, Kevin McHugh, Michael Minnlear, John Minton, Sandra Molidor, Scott Morrison, Scott Nies, Antoinette Nixon, Eric Nowinski, Robert O'Connell, Don Otto, Ken Overton, Shane Page, Scott Pavlock, Rick Pere, Brian Peters, Mark Piccoli, William Polrier, Shannen Poulos, Frank Rangel, Kristi Readwine, Gregroy Reschke, Randy Reuter, Al Ricks, Gilbert Rivera, Michael Robinson, Dan Ruth, Christine Saffell, Steve Sandacz, Khalia Satkiewicz, Robert Satkiewicz, Pete Schubkegel, Mike Scott, Joseph Segreti, Todd Shaver, Michael Sheedy, Andy Shiu, Ed Sindles, Daniel Smith, Darren Smith, Javier Sostre, Frank Spizzirri, Jason Sutter, Fred Swanson, Chad Tompoles, Andy Trevino, Carl Underman, Matt Ungaro, Waymon Vela, Cesar Velazquez, Ted Vernon, Kevin Viles, Therese Vogelsberg, Paul Warner, Jim Waters, Ken Wich, Wayne Wilde Jr., Jeanine Woyner.



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teers leaves me very thankful for the goodness and caring spirit in our communities," Johnson added.

Over the eight-year span of "Shop with a Cop" in Round Lake Park, 138 police officers and deputies and state troopers from 25 departments, have taken part in the program. Additionally, over 330 residents have volunteered to make the program a success.

After this year's party, a total of over \$120,000 will have been spent trying to make a difference in the lives of underprivileged children.

The children are chosen from a list provided by the Avon Township Food Pantry and Round Lake School District 116 social workers. Over the years, many officers have made

comments about the experience. "The children seem very appreciative.

They keep coming up and hugging me," said Round Lake Park-Hainesville Police Commander Mike Robinson.

"I get enjoyment from seeing the sparkle in the kids' eyes as they pick out presents for a Christmas they would not have otherwise," said Lake County Reserve Deputy Frank

"You see so many of these kids buying for others. Kids wanting to buy for their mothers, brothers and sisters. It does your heart good," said Round Lake Police Officer Mike Bock.

"It's a lot of fun and I have a great time," said Round Lake Beach Detective Gary Lunn.

"I have been blessed to have some of the best memories of my policing career during "Shop with a Cop." Each year is filled with magical moments that touch my heart. The smiling faces of the kids, the appreciation of the parents, and the sincere looks of caring in the officers eyes. I have faith and know that the giving spirit of the donors, volunteers, and of all the officers will have a lasting and positive impact on how the police are seen by our communities and especially those in need," Johnson concluded.

Bible's job is out of a job

rom the Werner family gospel according to NUW (Not Under Warranty):

In the land of Burb there lived a dad who didn't know he was moonlighting as the long-suffering Old Testament character, Job. This man too was blameless and upright-but he wouldn't remain standing for long.

He had two sons and one daughter, and owned one neurotic cat, a Siamese fighting fish, and several holed up field mice. He was the greatest "do-it-your-selfer" among all the weekend warriors wandering Home Depot.

Now his teenage sons would take turns feasting in front of the fridge. When the period of feasting was over, our second Job would send them to be purified—only to end up pounding on the bathroom door several hours later when the water pipes shook with an evil fury.

So, as was his regular custom, early in the morning dad would pry a burnt offering from the toaster for each of them, hoping his plumbing would be blessed—and the kids' forks wouldn't be permanently soldered to the smoldering appliance.

Then one day the Lord and his angels let Satan in on a celestial poker game. Thanks to a straight flush, our Job's good fortune was flushed—and he became the Devil's cat toy.

And so it was, after the next burnt Eggo, the fire of God froze in the Werner kitchen wiring. An angel of God, an electrician who doesn't charge time and a half on the weekend, was called forth to decree, "Let there be light," and "Let my plumber buddy, 'Tuna,' fix the leaky mess under your sink that's blowing all the fuses."

So it came to be that Job's wife averted her eyes from a "tuna can" to be blessed with a professionally installed garbage disposal.



Leslie Glazier-Werner

But that night the dishwasher brought forth a flood of water that descended on poor Job's wife—and her junk-filled basement. After delivering untold, unanswered voice mails to hubby in her search for the main water shut off valve, she no longer had the patience of Job. So it was that dad's cell phone repeated the sad tidings to him and his trainmates, ending with "Curse God and die."

Then, lo and behold, there came an answered page. "Tuna" miraculously reappeared as an arch-angel proclaiming, "Sorry, but God has sent me to give your dishwasher Last Rites."

Meanwhile, a raiding party of mechanics low on funds swept down on the family vehicles, towing away the stalled tribal Suburban, then our Job's beloved, broken down Jeep.

So it was that dad got up the next weekend, tore at his bathrobe, and pulled out his thinning wallet, intending to grab the first dishwasher on clearance at Home Depot. "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away-so never pay full price!"

Then the sins of the father were visited upon the sons. They groveled and groaned, but still had to atone by helping dad haul and install the new dishwasher.

On the following Monday, Satan presented himself to the Lord, as word had spread far and wide that our Job was making light of his misfortune, offering "a \$100 bill to the next contractor who has the

nerve to show up in my driveway."

So it came to pass that Job's toilets would not pass, and soon a mighty wind raised a stench while bringing down Werner trees. As dad searched for the clog in the plumbing, only his groans poured out, not water. "Oh Lord, why do you plunge me into a slime pit? What sin is so great that I cannot even wash my hands with soap and water, and my own clothes detest me?"

The Lord sent another messenger. "For, truly, trouble DOES sprout out of the ground," the septic system guy said as he handed him the bill, for he knew how great his suffering would be.

And, even then, our Job did not find respite from the Lord—as his skin became broken and festering after playing with poison ivy among the broken tree branches.

Finally God himself spoke, telling him to buck up like a man, "For your deliverance is in your right hand." Indeed, God was merciful in the end, for dad was holding a paycheck with seven "bonus" bills.

So, as our Job remains blameless, surely he will prosper the rest of his days—or at least until the next warranty expires.

Leslie Glazier-Werner can be contacted at lesonlife@msn.com.

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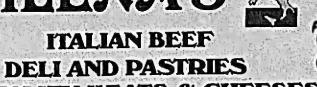


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Lira's holiday gala is a spectacular revue of beloved Polish and American carols and spirited folk songs, exciting folk dances and audience sing-alongs performed by more than 60 talented young artists in constantly changing, colorful folk and historical costumes. This year the Gala is accompanied by an expanded live orchestra—the 18piece Lira Chamber Orchestra.

Every year the gala program changes somewhat. This year's Gala offers songs from the Krakow (Cracow) region of southern Poland, dances from the Nowy Sacz region, also in the south of Poland, and songs and dances from the Kaszub

region of northern Poland.

A bazaar of Polish folk art, recordings. books and other items will be offered in the lobby before and after the performance and during intermission. Doors open 30 minutes before the conceit. Adjacent indoor parking is available at low rates at the corner of Lake and Scoville, and street parking is free and available one block from school in all directions.

All seats are reserved at \$25, \$23, or \$18, and all tickets are half-price for children to age 16. Tickets for the "Polish -American Christmas Gala" may be purchased using a credit card by calling 773-508-7040. Gala tickets may also be purchased by mail by sending a check payable to the Lira Ensemble and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: The Lira Ensemble, 6525 North Sheridan Road #SKY 905, Chicago, Ill. 60626.

Breakfast with Santa

How does he do it?

December 6

9 a.m.-noon, Breakfast with Santa sponsored by the Warren Township High School Foundation. This event will take place in the cafeteria at the Warren Township High School O'Plaine campus, 500 O'Plaine Road in Gurnee. Tickets for breakfast are \$6 for ages 11 and up, \$4 for ages 10 and under; free for ages two and under. Picture with Santa is \$2. Enjoy a 10 a.m. performance by the WTHS choir. The children's play "The Enchanted Ring" will be performed at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the auditorium. Tickets are \$2 and can be purchased at the door.

December 7 8 a.m., Breakfast with Santa and Craft Fair hosted by Millburn Lodge 127 and OES Chapter 570. Held at the Millburn Lodge. Breakfast from 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Craft Fair from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost is \$7 for. adults, \$3 for ages 5-12. Everyone is welcome. For information, call Dave at 847-691-1424.

8 a.m.-noon, Breakfast with Santa hosted by Cub Scout Pack 291 at Prince of Peace Church in Lake Villa. Breakfast of pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee for a donation of \$25 for families (parents and children), or \$6 for adults, \$3 per child at the door. You can save \$1 per ticket by purchasing in advance. Santa will be there for photos and the Scouts will offer activities for children. Contact Tami Wloch for tickets by e-mailing tamiwloch@aol.com. December 7

8 a.m.-noon, Breakfast with Santa held in the Parish Life Center located at 318 Mill Street in Wauconda, Enjoy Transfiguration Catholic School's breathtaking Winter Wonderland and have breakfast with friends and family. This holiday party is not just for kids. After dining, visit the sweet shop, enjoy kid's face painting and the assortment of raffle items. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for children four and over. December 7

8 a.m.-1 p.m., 10th Annual Pancake Breakfast with Santa hosted by the Libertyville Lions Club. Held at the Libertyville High School Cafeteria. Cost is \$5, ages 5 and under eat free. All are welcome to attend. For more details, call Susan at 847-209-7921. December 8

8 a.m.-1 p.m., Pancake Breakfast with Santa hosted by the Richmond Lions Club. Held at Richmond Middle School.

December 13-14, December 20-21

9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday Breakfast with Santa takes place the Country Inn Restaurant at Lambs Farm, 14245 W. Rockland

Road in Libertyville. Two seatings available. Cost is \$11.95 for adults, \$15.95 for ages 2-10, \$6 for ages 2 and under and includes visit with Santa, one photo with Santa, one holiday sand art necklace, face painting, a surprise gift from Santa, a craft project and entertainment by clowns. Seating is limited, RSVP at 847-362-5050.

And, for the first time ever, you can take part in Supper with Santa also at the Country Inn Restaurant at Lambs Farm. Breakfast with Santa at Lambs Farm has become so popular that Santa has agreed to stay so more kids can visit with him at supper. Enjoy scrumptious, kid-friendly food, fun activities and entertainment.

Supper with Santa will take place on two Saturdays, Dec. 13 and Dec. 20 at 4:30 p.m.
Cost is \$11.95 for adults, \$15.95 for kids ages 2-10 or \$6 for kids under age 2. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Call the Country Inn Restaurant at 847-362-5050 for reservations.

Arts & Crafts

One-of-a-kind gifts
The 2nd Annual Woodview School Holiday Art & Craft Show will take place this Saturday, Dec. 6, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Over 65 vendors will display and sell a variety of unique arts and crafts. Woodview School is located at 340 Alleghany Road in Grayslake. All are welcome to attend.

Music

So you want some Christmas tunes?

Choral Dynamics presents a Christmas concert of familiar carols and other holiday favorites on Sunday, Dec. 7 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Courtland & Route 45 in Mundelein. The concert will be take place at 3 p.m. Admission is free to the public. For further information, call 847-566-8032.

Bel Canto Chorus presents a holiday concert, "Welcome All Wonders," at St. Joseph the Carpenter Church in Libertyville on Saturday Dec. 6 at 8 p.m. Ticket prices: \$25 for reserved seating, \$15 for general admission. The concert will feature some special works by chorus, brass and percussion. For tickets and information call 414-481-8801 or visit www.belcanto.org.

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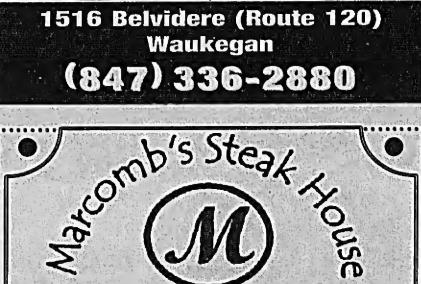
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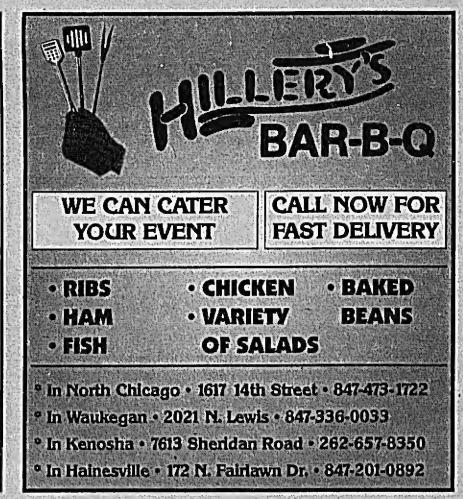
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mixed in. The concert will take place on Sunday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m.

The Kid's Praise Children's Choir will open the evening with a presentation of Christmas music. Everyone is nvited to stay after the program for a dessert reception. The program is free of charge. Crossroads Church is located at 1350 State Route 137, between Casey Road and Route 45 in Grayslake. Call 847-362-7120 or visit www.crcsbc.org.

The annual holiday concert performance by The Melodeers Chorus will take place in Lincolnshire on Sunday, Dec. 7 at 3 p.m.

The concert also features other local choruses, groups and ensembles as well as special guest Wayne Messmer, the voice of Wrigley Field. Also enjoy baked goods for sale at the show. For information or to purchase tickets, call 800-222-7552 or visit www.melodeers.com.

Annual Julmidag, or Christmas Dinner, and concert, hosted by the Waukegan Swedish Glee Club at Chevy Chase Country Club, 1000 N. Milwaukee Avenue in Wheeling on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 6 p.m.

Enjoy traditional Swedish and English songs. A children's choir will also perform. The price of concert and dinner is \$32 for adults and \$17 for ages 12 and under. Reservations are required, call Jim Edfors at 847-437-9467.

Support Group

Find the key

A support group is now forming following the Keys in Dr. Phil's book, "the Ultimate Weight Loss Solution." The group will meet weekly on Wednesday evenings, 7-8:30 p.m., starting in mid-December. Group members will support each other in their battle to lose weight. If you are interested, send an e-mail to misu701@earthlink.net or leave a message for Susan at 847-543-1667.

Events

The doors are wide open

Save-A-Pet, a not-for-profit, no-kill animal shelter, located at 31664 N. Fairfield Road in Grayslake, is hosting its annual holiday open house & craft/bake sale on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 12-5 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 7, from 1-5 p.m.

Dr. Kim Odgen, noted animal communicator, will be at the shelter signing her recently published book and dog music CD. Ogden will be offering

mini-consultations for the cats and canines and will lead caroling for the animals throughout the weekend. For more information, visit the Web site at www.save-a-pet-il.org.

All proceeds will benefit the homeless cats and dogs at Save-A-Pet.

Save-A-Pet's mission is to provide the animals shelter indefinitely. Save-A-Pet strives to create an environment that enhances both awareness of and support for the humane treatment of animals.

Puppet on a string

Dave Herzogs Marionettes, performing the popular show "Christmas Capers," will be at Gorton Community Center, 400 East Illinois Road in Lake Forest, on Sunday, Dec. 13. The 45 minute performance will begin at 10:30 a.m. Tickets are \$8 and are available at the Gorton office, on the Web site, or at the door if space is available.

Enjoy a fun afternoon with Dave Hezog and his favorite marionettes, created during his 26-year career as a professional puppeteer, in this musical, magical, marionette show hosted by none other than Santa Claus himself.

Join Santa along with Frosty the Snowman, Termite the singing Christmas Tree, Jingles the Elf on the Flying Trapeze, and many other wonderful characters in this enchanting performance. Children and adults alike will enjoy this fantastic host of Christmas characters performing to music.

Dave Herzogs' productions have charmed audiences throughout the Midwest since 1974. Come see this wonderful show.

For further information, or to receive a program brochure, contact the Gorton office at 847-234-6060, visit the Web site at www.gortoncenter.org, or stop by between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., weekdays.

Cookies galore

Why bake when someone else will do it for you? From 9 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Dec. 6; the Second annual Cookie Walk event will be hosted by the United Protestant Church, 54 S. Whitney Street in downtown Grayslake.

A person starts with a box and a plastic glove (both provided), chooses from thousands of cookies available, and pays for them (by the pound) at the end of their walk. People can mix and match or get all the same, whatever suits their fancy. All goods are made and donated by church members. The cost will be \$6 per pound.

The cookies are great for family, office parties and as gifts. Come early because the cookies will go quickly. Proceeds benefit the church.

The Good

Oils and pastels exhibit at Lake County Discovery Museum

A new exhibit entitled "The Good Life," featuring oil paintings and pastels by Lake County artist Elvin Griffin, will be on display Dec. 7-Jan. 31 at the Lake County Discovery Museum.

Museum visitors are invited to meet Griffin and learn about his work at an Artist's Reception on Sunday, Dec. 7, from 1-4 p.m. at the museum. Select works will be available for purchase at the reception and throughout the exhibition. All ages are welcome. Admission to the Artist's Reception is free with a general admission to the museum: \$5.50 for adults and \$2.50 for youth ages 4-17; children under age 3 are free.

Elvin Griffin was born in Waukegan and currently resides there. Griffin has always been interested in art and spent many years drawing in pen and ink in a surrealistic style. Around 1980, he began searching for a medium that would take him beyond black and white. Since Rembrandt and Caravaggio were his

> the obvious choice. Griffin says that Check discovering color was like being a born again artist." it Out Along with the discovery of oil as a medium came pastels and new subject mat-

favorite influences, oil was



ter. Portraits, still lifes, and landscapes became his new passion. "When you see a pastel still life I want you to experience that moment," says Griffin. "When you see an oil portrait, I want you to say, 'I know that person."

Mr. Griffin is a member of the Portrait Society of America and art leagues in Illinois and Wisconsin. He has served on the board of the Lake County Art Leaguehas judged and juried art shows-and gives demos and workshops. Elvin also teaches pastels and plein air pastel classes for the University of Wisconsin Parkside.

The Lake County Discovery Museum is located in Lakewood Forest Preserve on Route 176, just west of Fairfield Road near Wauconda. For more information call 847-968-3400 or visit the Web site at www.lakecountydiscoverymuseum.org

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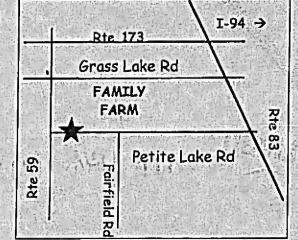
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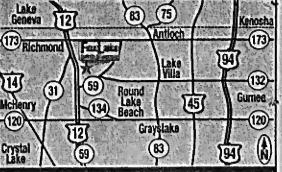
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Holiday Movie Preview

By George O. Singleton

he movie holiday season kicked off last week with an eclectic mix of films that sets the tone for the rest of the month, right on into New Year's Day 2004. "Bad Santa" is about a foulmouthed criminal masquerading as the man from the North Pole who eventually sees the light of day. "The Haunted Mansion" finds Eddie Murphy in a kid-friendly Disney film. "In America" is a wonderful family story (reviewed last week). "The Missing" is an "Unforgiven"- type western, with a feminist view, starring Tommy Lee Jones and Cate Blanchett. "Timeline" is a movie adapted from a Michael Crichton bestseller, and "21 Grams" is a gripping tale of three ill-fated families, with Oscar-caliber performances from Sean Penn, Naomi Watts and especially Benicio Del Toro. The two outstanding features are "In America" and "21 Grams." Those who liked "Memento" will find "21 Grams" to have a similar construction in the storytelling; although this screenplay is better because as the movie progresses, things become clear and you don't have to see it a second time to know what happened.

Between the 30-plus films being released in the Chicago area from now until Jan. 1st, here are some we think merit your consideration:

Dec 5:

Honey: TV's "Dark Angel" Jessica Alba gives us a modern version of "Flashdance."

The Last Samural: An epic film about war and romance staring Tom Cruise. This places him on the short list for Best Actor.

Dec 12:

Love Don't Cost a Thing: Nick Cannon ("Drumline") is a high school geek who fixes the car of a hot girl in return for her pretending that they are dating. Also staring Steve Harvey.

Something's Gotta Give: A romantic triangle; cross-generation comedy starring Diane Keaton, Jack Nicholson, and Keanu Reeves. Also starring Amanda Peet, Jon Favreau and Frances McDormand.

The Statement: A Norman Jewison thriller of a former Nazi executioner (Michael Caine) fleeing assassins and a famous Nazi hunter. played by Tilda Swinton of "Deep End." Also stars Charlotte Rampling ("Swimming Pool").

Stuck on You: Matt Damon and Greg Kinnear are conjoined twins who go along to get along in a comedy that hopefully will still be funny in the second hour of the film.

Dec 17:

LOTR: Return of the King. This 3hour film wraps up trilogy that will likely generate an Oscar for Best Picture and/or Best Director. Look for our full review in the Dec. 19th issue of LakeLife.



Dec 19:

The Cooler: Things change for the better when down- on- his- luck Las Vegas loser William H. Macy meets

cocktail waitress Maria Bello. Casino boss Alec Baldwin thinks it's time to break up the romance, and the infectious good luck Macy brings to his clientele.

The Event: Parker Posey is a DA investigating a suicide that reveals unexpected surprises. Sarah Polley and Olympia Dukakis also star.



Mona Lisa Smile: Julia Roberts portrays a college professor who inspires young women to excel. Julia Stiles, Kirsten Dunst, Maggie Gyllenhaal and Marcia Gay Harden also star.

Dec 25:

Big Fish: Billy Crudup comes home to his dying father, played by Albert Finney, to patch up a fractured relationship. Jessica Lange and Steve Buscemi. A poetic family tale based upon a book.



Cheaper by the Dozen: Steve Martin learns that getting what you ask for is not always what you want. His dream comes true and he's stuck at home with his 12 kids after his wife has to leave town to meet with a publisher regarding the marketing of her long awaited memoirs.

Cold Mountain: Nicole Kidman is establishing herself as a younger Meryl Streep with another pristine performance. It's based upon the bestselling novel about a Confederate soldier trying to make

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his way back home. Also stars Jude Law, Renee Zellweger and Natalie Portman. When "The Human Stain" finally crosses Lake-Cook Road, be sure to catch it. Kidman is excellent in that too.

The Company: Director Robert Altman gives us a behind-thescenes look at the Joffrey Ballet. With Neve Campbell, a classicallytrained ballet dancer, who has longed for a part like this since performing with the National Ballet of Canada.

Paycheck: Don't say the "G" word in the same sentence as Ben Affleck, who is back with Uma Thurman ("Kill Bill") in a John Woo-directed film. There is no J-Lo in this one, so think of Affleck in "The Sum of All Fears" rather than, ah... "Gigli."

Peter Pan: This classic is done as a live action fantasy, with Peter being played by a boy for a change. Jason Isaacs and Ludivine Sagnier star. Sounds like good family fun.

The Young Black Stallion: The prequel to the 1979 classic horse tale, this will be shown exclusively in IMAX format at Navy Pier. This G rated 45-minute film is just right for a trip with the young ones into the city.

Dec 26:

Girl with a Pearl Earring: Scarlett Johansson ("Lost in Translation") is the muse of Dutch painter Vermeer (Colin Firth). Based upon a bestselling novel by Tracy Chevalier. Scarlett is an outstanding actress who is only 18 years old.

House of Sand and Fog: The American dream of owning your own home is put under the microscope. Sir Ben Kingsley butts heads with Jennifer Connelly about who has the last word on just whose

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house it is. Connelly turns in a gritty performance along the lines of "Requiem for a Dream". Kingsley is stunning. He's on the super-short list for best actor. Full review Dec 26. This is easily one of the best films of the year. Don't miss it!

Jan 1:

Calendar Girls: How fitting that a film about middle- aged women posing nude for a calendar to raise funds for a charity opens on the first day of the year. Based upon a true story. Helen Mirren, Julie Walters, Jay Leno (cameo).







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Shakespeare's 'Twelfth Night' shines in hands of Globe Theatre troupe



Shakespeare's Globe Theatre presents "Twelfth Night, or What You Will" at Chicago Shakespeare Theater, featuring (from left) Michael Brown, Mark Rylance, Liam Brennan and Rhys Meredith.

CRITIC'S CHOICE / Play
"Twelfth Night, or What You Will"
By Tom Witom

o one can dispute the staying power of William Shakespeare's powerful words. His canon already has a 400-year track record, and new theater fans discover his timeless plays every day.

At Chicago Shakespeare Theater on Navy Pier, full houses regularly turn out whenever Shakespeare's works are performed.

Fans of the Bard from Stratford-upon-Avon are now enjoying a rare treat. For a three-week engagement ending Dec. 14, Chicago Shakespeare has turned its stage over to London-based Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, which is making its first American tour and reprising its unique production of "Twelfth Night, or What You Will."

A number of things make this a special night at the theater. The dark romantic comedy is presented in the Elizabethan tradition: a superlative all-male ensemble of 13 actors plays every role (male and female) and wears handmade 17th-century costumes, which are donned onstage prior to the performance.

There are spirited dances from the period, and musicians, led by Keith McGowan, fill the air with captivating music played on instruments familiar to an

Elizabethan audience, including the hautboy, flute, curtal, rauschpfeife, recorder and sackbut.

The candlelit set, too, recalls an earlier time; solid oak flooring and a decorative wooden backdrop re-create an Elizabethan dining hall.

Mark Rylance, leading actor and artistic director of the Globe, gives a finely nuanced performance as Olivia that's fascinating to watch. A countess mourning the loss of her brother, Olivia spurns advances of love-struck Duke Orsino (Liam Brennan) but falls in love with Orsiono's page.

Little does Olivia know that the page, "Cesario," really is Viola, a woman disguised as a male (performed, in this instance, by a male, Michael Brown).

Eventually Viola is reunited with the twin brother she didn't know was still alive – Sebastian (Rhys Meredith) – and Olivia satisfactorily sorts out her situation.

In the meantime, Olivia's roguish cousin Sir Toby Belch (Bill Stewart), and Sir Toby's friends, including another suitor, Sir Andrew Aguecheek (Albie Woddington) hatch a scheme to embarrass the countess' supercilious steward Malvolio (Timothy Walker, who steals the show on more than one occasion).

Peter Hamilton Dyer does good work as Feste, the fool.

This "Twelfth Night," led by master of play Tim Carroll, is a "must-see."



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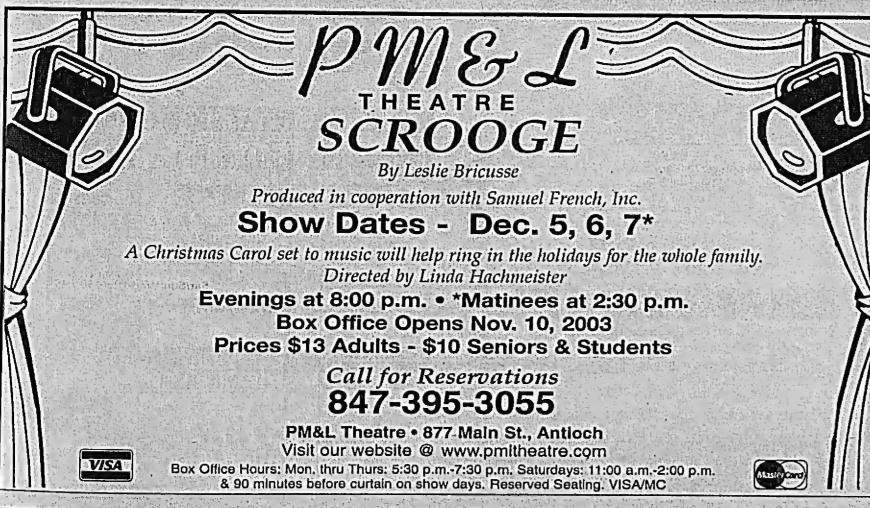
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Other pieces planned for the concert include choruses from Vivaldi,s "Gloria," a jazz arrangement of "Carol of the Bells," Gustav Holst's "Christmas Day," "Blow, Blow Thou Winter Winds," by John Rutter, and the gospel song "My God is an Awesome God."

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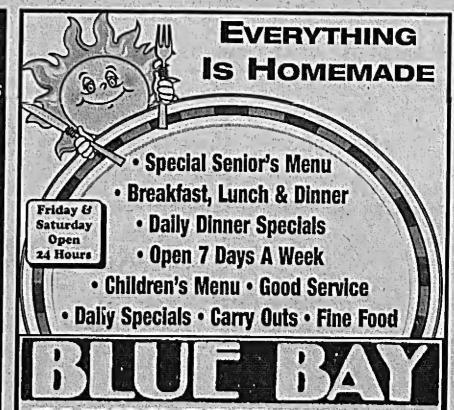
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Prof. Bill Dobbins, left, smiles with appreciation upon compliment bestowed by Lakeland Media jazz writer Julian Muskat. The visiting conductor from Eastman School of Music is a worthy continuation of the late bandleader Stan Kenton, in the opinion of Muskat.

Kenton lives in Jazz master Dobbins

by Julien Muskat

n a November night as the 40th anniversary of the JFK assassination was winding down, the fifth and final stop of the Chicago Jazz Ensemble Fifth American Heritage Jazz Series was taking place at the Performing Arts Center at west suburban Huntley.

For this writer, it was the second concert of the series that I had attended. The first concert was at the Gorton Community Center in Lake Forest. I had to go back again in order to re-experience the "Concerto for Jazz Orchestra." I also wanted to hear and see the vocalist Bobbi Wilsyn and see if guest conductor Bill Dobbins from the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., would play any selections on the piano.

The beginning of the improv section of the

first movement of the concerto was riveting and explosively powerful. This is where the entire horn section did a "blastoff" to begin a merry gallop through the rest of the movement. It was compellingly reminiscent of Maynard Ferguson's "Straightaway" TV show soundtrack score from 41 years ago.

I had to hear it another time to experience the high it provided. Unfortunately, the first movement was changed, and my "high" did not make it to Huntley. At Lake Forest, the entire stage was engulfed by a sound flash that rolled out in thunderous cascades to light up the audience.

This was not mere noise but a musical heralding of the celebration of what was really happening at this concert, And it is at this point that Ferguson and Dobbins part company. Ferguson's "Straightaway" in 1962 does not have this special meaning contained in

Dobbins 2003. Sound yes, meaning NO!

Those in the know understand the importance of the Kenton Connection to the Kenton Congragation. When a Bill Russo-Stan Kenton CD was put out on the ticket table for sale, it was bought up so fast that I did not get a chance to even see it. While the program lineup page shows Ellington leading Kenton by three to one, the overwhelming presence of Kenton sound signatures all over the presentation makes this a Kenton celebration. This celebration, 24 years after Kenton's passing, reinforces for the jazz world to see and hear that while the body has been stilled, the music lives on.

This concert was recorded, and the recordings are in the archives of Columbia College of Chicago. We the fans must contact the college and get them to make CDs for sale. That way, WDCB 90.9 FM and other stations will be able to play the kind of music that we

want to hear.

For those too young to have known or remember what happened in 1964, let me remind you. Stan Kenton backed Sen. BarryGoldwater for President. For this he was punished. I was then a very liberal Democrat, and I know that it was wrong then, and 39 years later it is still wrong. Jazz is the sound of voluptuousity, not the sound of partisan politics. As I told Prof. Dobbins, "There's no politics in your music." Enough said.

The Chicago Jazz Ensemble is the kind of music to bring in, perform and record at the Genesee Theatre in Waukegan in 2004. I've talked to Ray Shepardson and Steve Kolber, and they're very interested in the idea of recording all performances in video, DVD, and CD formats. Lennie Palmer on his WKRS primetime afternoon-drive show also mentioned pay-per-view as another way of expanding the revenue stream.

We want the Genesee Theatre to succeed, so that Waukegan can start growing its economy, and we can enjoy our thing: Modern American Music.

Julian Muskat is a retired automotive technician who continues a lifetime interest in American jazz. He is a collector with a special interest in the music of the late Stan Kenton. Muskat resides in Waukegan.

Performances to benefit P.A.D.S

Members of three performance groups are combining their talents to benefit P.A.D.S. (Public Action to Delivery Shelter).

They will present a holiday show at 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, at Carmel High School Theatre in Mundelein.

There will be performances by Anam Mo Irish Dance Company, Mundelein High School Sound & Lights Group and Carmel High School's show choir.

The program is being sponsored by Baird & Warner of Libertyville.

Steve Lawrence, sales manager of the real estate firm, said tickets at \$8 can be obtained in advance by calling 847-367-1855. Admission at the door will be \$10 per person.

With Baird & Warner sponsorship, \$4,500 was raised last year for the project that provides overnight shelter and a meal at various locations throughout the county during winter months.

Lawrence said the aim is to double the contribution this year. There will be prizes and gifts available in Conjunction with the show.

Long Grove celebrates favorite holiday traditions

The historic business district of Long Grove, home to over 80 specialty shops and restaurants, will mark the season with traditional holiday events during the Countryside Christmas Celebration.

A holiday tradition will take place at the Village Tavern on Monday, Dec. 22, and Tuesday, Dec. 23, when the tavern hosts its 27th "Lunch with Santa." Seatings are at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. A special children's menu will be offered. Adults may order from the regular lunch menu of sandwiches, salads, and hot entrees starting at \$6.95. Santa and friends will visit with the children. Reservations are required. Phone 847-634-3117.

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'From Emeril's Kitchens' gumbo that packs a wallop

Restaurateur and popular television cooking show presence Emeril Lagasse has authored yet another cookbook. This one, "From Emeril's Kitchens: Favorite Recipes from Emeril's Restaurants" (William Morrow, 2003), features a lot of fine, workable recipes.

Unlike some restaurant-oriented volumes meant more to be enjoyed vicariously, this book is filled with many practical possibilities for the home cook.

Kick-Butt Gumbo, adapted below, is an example. It's unusual in that this fine Creole dish includes neither okra nor filé powder. The one ingredient we omitted was a quarterpound of diced tasso, a Cajun specialty generally hard to find outside Louisiana. (Tasso is a



lean chunk of cured pork or beef that's been seasoned with various ingredients such as red pepper, garlic, file and any of several other herbs or spices.) Depending on your tolerance for spiciness, you may want to go easy on the hot pepper sauce. As Emeril says, you can always punch it up a bit!

Kick-Butt Gumbo

- 1 lb. boneless pork butt, cut into 1/2-in. cubes
- 2 tsp. creole seasoning*
- 1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tsp. hot pepper sauce 1 cup vegetable oii
- 1 cup ali-purpose flour
- 1 lb. andouille sausage, cut into 1/4-in. slices
- 1 1/2 cups chopped yellow onlons
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 cup chopped green bell peppers

6 cups chicken stock

- One 12-oz. bottle dark beer
- 1 1/2 tsp. sait
- 1/4 tsp. cayenne
- 2 bay leaves Cooked white rice
- 1/2 cup chopped green onlons (green parts only), for gamish)
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley, for garnish

Put the pork in a bowl and season with creole seasoning, Worcestershire and hot sauce. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight. Heat the oil in a Dutch oven or other large heavy pot over medium heat. Add the flour and cook, stirring constantly with a large wooden spoon, to make a dark chocolate brown roux, 30 to 35 minutes. Add the pork and sausage and cook, stirring until caramelized, 6 to 7 minutes. add the onions, celery and bell peppers and cook, stiming constantly, until soft, 7 to 10 minutes. Add the stock, stiming constantly to prevent lumps from forming, and bring to a boil. Add the beer, salt, cayenne and bay leaves and stir. to blend. Reduce the heat and simmer, uncovered, stirring occasionally, until the pork is tender, 1 1/2 to 2 hours. Remove from the heat and remove the bay leaves. Ladle the gumbo into eight large soup bowls. Spoon the rice into the center of the gumbo and sprinkle each serving with the green onions and parsley. Serve immediately.

Twelve renowned photographers celebrate The Nature Conservancy

In Response to Place: Photographs from The Nature Conservancy's Last Great Places

Beginning Jan. 24, step into the Nature Conservancy's "Last Great Places," as seen through the eyes of 12 renowned photographers, from Annie Leibovitz to William Wegman.

'In Response to Place" a breathtaking exhibit of more than 130 photographs will be at the Chicago Cultural Center Yates Gallery, from Jan. 24 through March 28. The Chicago unveiling of this exhibit will feature prints by local photographer Terry Evans that capture the majesty of Kankakee Sands, one of Illinois' last great oak savannas.

Exhibiting photographers include: William Christenberry, Lynn Davis, Terry Evans, Lee Friedlander, Karen Halverson, Annie Leibovitz, Sally Mann, Mary Ellen Mark, Richard Misrach, Hope Sandrow, Fazal Sheikh and William Wegman.

Each photographer was asked to visit

one of the conservancy's Last Great Places 200 flagship conservation areas around the world and record their responses with their cameras. From this simple premise came a wealth of beautiful, intriguing and powerful images. Some are pure landscapes, some are portraits, some defy easy categorization.

The Nature Conservancy is a leading international non-profit organization that preserves plants, animals and natural communities representing the diversity of life on earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive. To date, the conservancy and its more than one million members have been responsible for the protection of more than 14 million acres in the United States and have helped preserve more than 102 million acres in Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia and the Pacific. Visit us on the Web at www. nature.org.

Flavored butters can add to taste

Butter makes just about everything taste better. It is one of the most flavorful and complementary accompaniments to food. And if plain butter adds a lot to food, flavored butter adds even more.

Flavored butter, also called compound butter, was originally developed as a way to thicken and flavor sauces, typically swirled into a reduction of wine or broth at the last minute. But flavored butters are awfully good by themselves. They're perfect for grilled meats or vegetables. They work just as well for broiled food, and they can do wonders for com

or any other steamed or boiled vegetable. Compound butters are not only easy to make, they are also easy to improvise. The hardest part is remembering to set the butter out to soften ahead of time.

Once the butter softens just enough to mash, the flavoring can be mixed in with a table fork for small batches or a food processor for large batches.

As far as what to add is concerned, the cook's imagination is the only limiting factor. Garlic butter is classic. Herb butters of all kinds are probably second in popularity.

Cranberries Combat Damage

Researchers say compounds in cranberries could reduce the damage caused by a stroke. Preliminary tests involving rats suggest that cranberries may protect against the brain-cell damage when a blood vessel that carries oxygen and nutrients to the brain bursts or is blocked by a clot.

A concentration of cranberry extract equivalent to a half-cup of whole cranberries "caused a 50 percent reduction in brain-cell death," says Catherine Neto, lead author of the study at the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth.

When part of the brain dies from lack of blood flow, the part of the body it controls is affected, causing paralysis, loss of speech or vision. Stroke is the nation's third leading cause of death and a leading cause of serious, longterm disability in the United States, according to the American Stroke Association.

Director to be honored at Hearts or Homeless' benefit

ildegard Zimmermann, director of the Michael Joseph Foundation, will be honored during Catholic Charities Northwest Suburban Services 15th annual Hearts for Homeless Families in Transition benefit. The event will take place on Saturday, Feb. 28, at Stonegate Banquet & Conference Center in Hoffman Estates.

A former real estate broker, Hildegard has appropriately served as the tireless director of the Michael Joseph Foundation for eleven years. The foundation provides short-term transitional housing in the northwest suburbs for families working their way back to self-sufficiency.

Exemplifying 'compassion in action', the words included in The Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago logo, Hildegard will receive the fourth annual Stephen O'Brien-Combs Heart of Charity award at the February benefit.

Founded in 1992, the Barrington-based Michael Joseph Foundation is named for "Michael" the first name of an anonymous donor who provided the necessary seed money to initiate the foundation and "Joseph" as a tribute to St. Joseph, a humble carpenter and patron saint of families and homes.

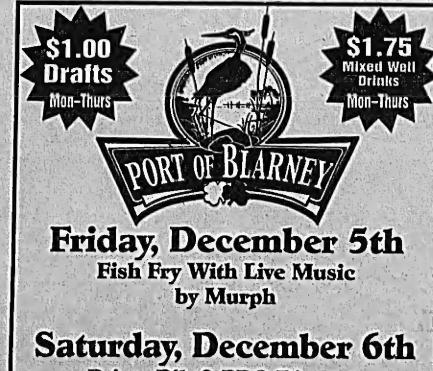
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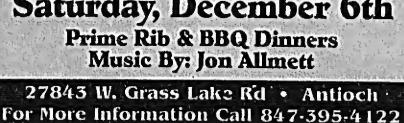
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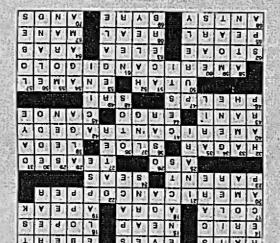
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Answers



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Arles - March 21/April 20

A loved one makes an off-the-cuff comment that angers you. Try not to stay mad at him or her for long. This person doesn't mean to upset you. So, don't take it personally, An acquaintance wants to get to know you better. Say yes, because he or she is sure to become a close friend. Aquarius plays an important role in all of this.



Libra - Sept 23/Oct 23 There is a lot to be done this week, Libra. So, you have to get organized. Several people are counting on you to make progress; don't let them down. You will have to work diligently, but you can get things accomplished.



Taurus - April 21/May 21

Keep your thoughts to yourself when a close friend tells you about his or her plans for the future. While you don't agree with what he or she wants to do, try to be supportive. Remember, this isn't about what is best for you. Be understanding. The person whom you've been seeing drops by unexpectedly with a surprise. Enjoy!



Scorpio - Oct 24/Nov 22

Don't keep your feelings bottled up inside when a loved one does something that hurts you, Scorplo. Let this person know exactly how you feel. Don't be afraid, because this honesty is sure to make your relationship even stronger. A close friend needs someone to talk to late in the week. Be there for him or her.



Gemini - May 22/June 21
You need to be patient when you're trying to get people to help you with a personal project this week, Gemini. Pushing them to respond only will upset them. So, just wait. You're sure to hear the answer that you've been hoping for. A loved one needs a shoulder to cry on late in the week. Be there for him or her.



Sagittarius - Nov 23/Dec 21
You really put your foot in your mouth when talking with that special someone this week. If you want to salvage this relationship, you're going to have to accept responsibility for what you blurt out and apologize. Don't try to talk your way out of this. Remember, your mouth got you into this situation in the first place.



Cancer - June 22/July 22 You become the center of attention among loved ones early in the week. Enjoy the spotlight, because you deserve it. A close friend gets into trouble and needs your help. While you're not sure what to do, you have to do something. If you think rationally, you're sure to come up with a way to rectify this situation.



Capricorn - Dec 22/Jan 20

You can make great strides in your professional life this week if you just take the initiative. Seize an opportunity that will show the higher-ups exactly what you can do. They will be impressed with your efforts. An old friend calls you out of the blue. Talk with him or her, because you're sure to learn some interesting information. STANTED TO STANTED



Leo - July 23/August 23

Stand up for yourself when an acquaintance tries to walk all over you early in the week, Leo. This person underestimates your sense of self-worth. Show him or her just how strong you really are. A loved one offers you romantic advice. Take it hereuse it cares to advice. Take it, because it's sure to help. Capricom plays an important role on Friday.



Aquarius - Jan 21/Feb 18

Don't get upset when a close friend asks for your advice, but doesn't take it. This person needs to do what he or she thinks is best. Try to be supportive. A loved one invites you out late in the week. Say yes, because it's sure to be fun. Leo plays a key role.



Virgo - Aug 24/Sept 22
You get put in charge of a difficult situation on Thursday. While you're nervous, you are more than capable of handling this. Just focus on the problem, and think logically to come up with a solution These involved will be with a solution. Those involved will be impressed with your efforts.



Pisces - Feb 19/March 20

Don't turn down a close friend's invitation to go out early in the week. It's sure to present you with an interesting opportunity that you don't want to miss. So, say yes - even if you have to rearrange your schedule.





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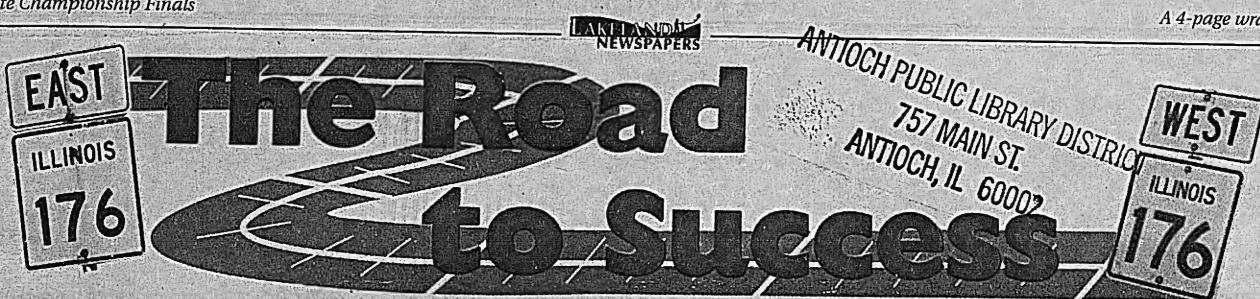
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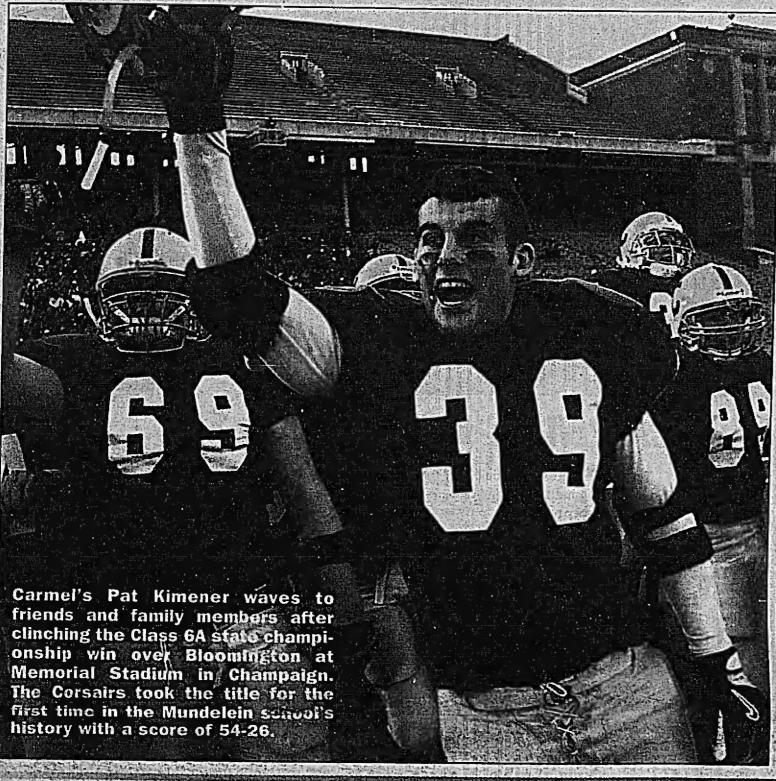
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A team for the ages



Corsairs complete magical season with 54-26 win in 6A title game

By ROB BACKUS rbackus@lakelandmedia.com

You could say the mission started three years ago with a Carmel loss to Richards in the Class 6A semifinals.

Heck, you could even say it started back in 1998 when Carmel coach Andy Bitto took over for former head coach Mike Fitzgibbons.

The mission has always been to be the best.

And now the mission is complete.

After inching closer and closer to the top of the mountain in Bitto's previous five years at the helm, including a victory in last year's prestigious Prep Bowl, the Corsairs can finally call themselves the best.

With a 54-26 win over Bloomington in the Class 6A title game, Carmel has firmly cemented its name in the annals of IHSA state football.

"This is the first time we've made it this far and it will probably take 10 years before it sinks in," Bitto said. "It is a tremendous experience and it's Photos by what this team is all about."

Sandy Bressner

Record-setting season comes up short

Libertyville loses Class 7A title game, 28-21

By ROB BACKUS

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No matter what happened in the Class 7A title game against Oswego, this was already a record-setting season for Libertyville.

And the Cats twice came just a few feet short of making It a season for the ages.

The stage was set for a dramatic, last-second 39-yard field goal by Ryne Gavigan that would have given Libertyville a win at the end of regulation.

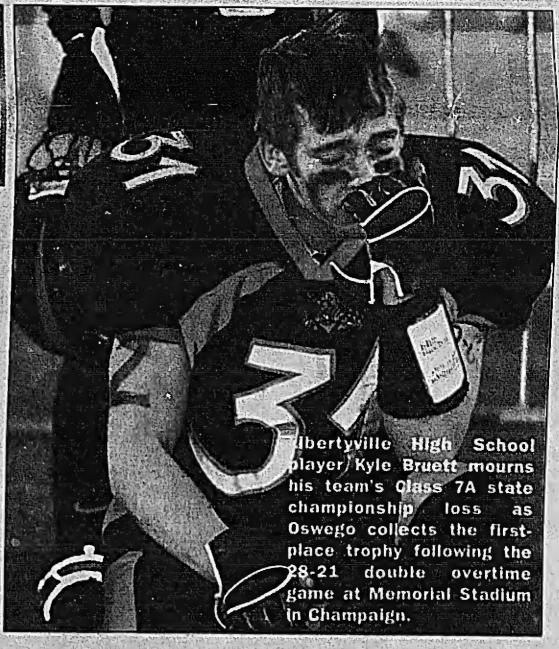
The kick was long enough, but sailed just wide right to force the game into overtime.

"He (Gavigan) hit it well," said Libertyville running back Santino Panico, whose 10-yard TD run in the 4th quarter gave his team a brief 14-7 lead, "He just pulled his hips a little bit." We can usually tell if the kick will be good by looking at his hips."

The Cats were able to overcome the missed kick, and scored on the first play of overtime on a 10-yard run up the middle by Kevin Fontana, who was held to just 54 yards on 13

Oswego, however, also scored on the first play of their

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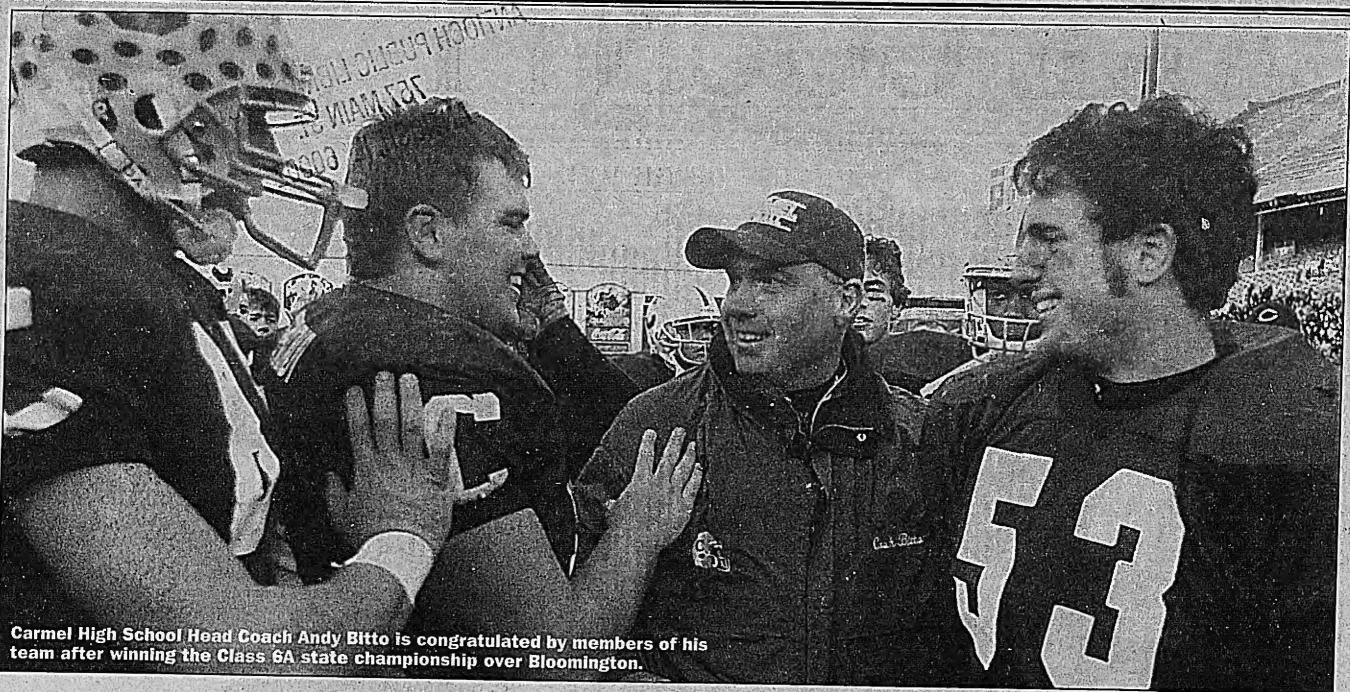


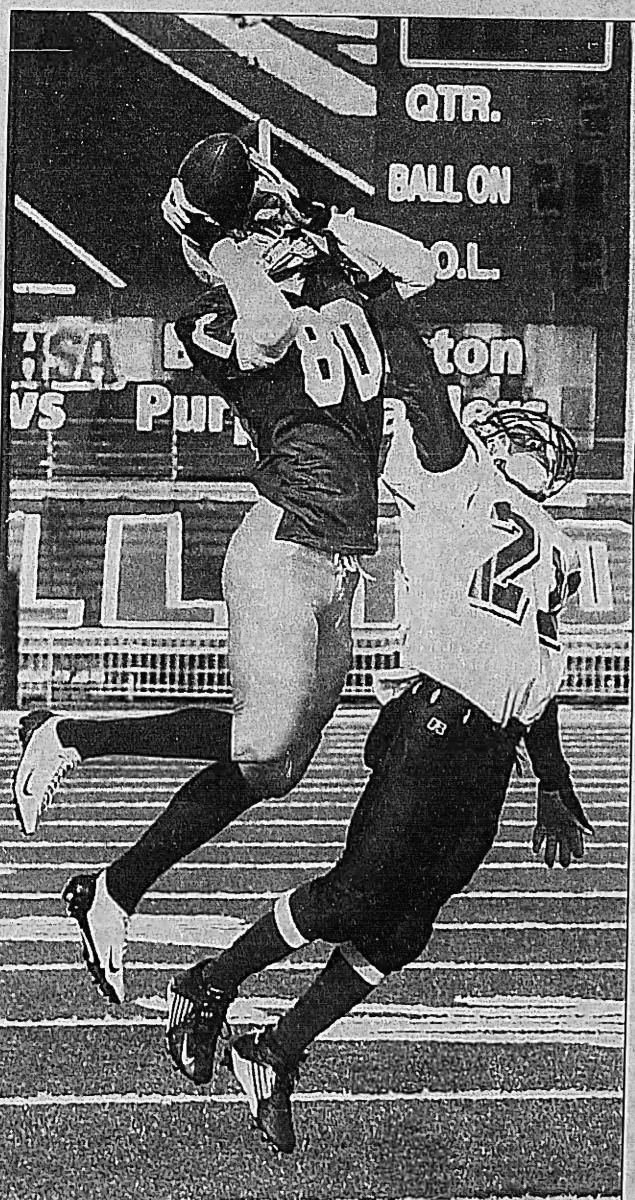
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Carnel High School's lason Kwasigroch leaps high above a Bloomington player to complete a pass during the Corsairs Class

6A state champlonship win.

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The team is also about winning big this year, as its 40 points per game average indicates. But the game got off to a somewhat inauspicious start.

On just the fifth play from scrimmage, Bloomington's Brandon Hughes took a backward pass from QB Jeremy Peden and took advantage of several missed Carmel tackles on his way to a 71-yard TD run to give the Purple Raiders an early 7-0 lead.

The Corsairs, as they did all season, bounced back with 19 straight points, including a 32-yard fade pass from junior QB John Solan to Jack Simmons and a pair of TD runs from Solan, to take a 19-7 lead.

Subbing for injured all-state quarterback Mark Venegoni, Solan had the game of his life, at least so far.

In the game, Solan was 4-for-4 passing with two TDs and gained 62 yards on the ground on 14 carries, scoring three touchdowns.

"He is amazing," Bitto said. "It's a credit to him to come in and play like that."

Solan had been taking the snaps in practice all week, and flourished, in part, because of the leadership of Venegoni, who was forced to watch the game on crutches from the sidelines.

"Mark has been such an inspiration to all of us," Bitto said. "He has such an internal combustion about him and he transcended it even in practice when he knew he wasn't going to play. It was a tremendous leadership effort from a guy who can't even walk."

Down 19-7, Bloomington answered back with a 40-yard kick return from Justin Harrison and scored seven plays later on a 1-yard jaunt from Harrison to pull within 19-14 at the half.

"We knew Bloomington was a big play team," Bitto said. "At halftime I told the kids that we had to prevent the big play."

Unfortunately for Carmel, Bloomington would add another big play on just the second play of the second half on a 53-yard TD pass from Peden to Hughes to take a 20-19 lead.

The Corsairs bounced right back, though, on the third Solan TD run of the day to retake the lead 25-20 with 6:11 left in the third quarter.

The lead was short-lived, however, as the Purple Raiders added another score on Harrison's second 1-yard TD of the game to take a 26-25 lead.

"We came here to play a game and a track meet broke out." Bitto said.

That's when Carmel seemed to wake up, and it took a special play to do it.

On the ensuing kickoff, Carmel running back Mike Serio followed a wall of blockers down the field for a Class 6A title game-record 91-yard TD return.

"Right before the ball was kicked, I told Jason Kwasigroch that we needed a big return to help get the momentum on our side," Serio said. "He said, 'Go ahead and take it.' I think we broke their backs with that return."

The return gave Carmel a 32-26 lead and was the start of 29 unanswered points for the Corsairs, who used a steady diet of bruising running back Jon Popovitch to take control from there.

Popovitch, who was limited to just 32 yards in the first half, finished the game with 147 yards on 20 carries and two TDs.

"It's a credit to the offensive line," said Popovitch of the line that consists of all-state team member Dan Osterhaut, Drew Cairo-Gross, Paul Lyons, Luke Krombach and Eddie Adamski. "I wasn't reading their blocks very well in the first half. I started making harder cuts outside and reading the blocks much better in the second half. Plus, the running backs (Serio, Darren Davis and Steve Hironimus) did a great job of sealing up their linebackers."

Also key to Carmel's second half surge were five Bloomington fumbles, including four in the fourth-quarter. The Corsairs forced eight turnovers in the game.

"Our offensive and defensive lines wore them down in the second half," Bitto said, "Whenever we can force a team into committing eight turnovers, we're going to score some points."

After the game, Carmel defensive back Pat Kimener summed Carmel's season up best

"We worked hard on every down of every game this season; no matter how you felt or how tired or hurt you were," Kimener said. "And it paid off in the end."

The torch is passed

Backup Solan proves he can play with big boys

By JOHN PHELPS Lakeland Correspondent

There's no questioning the fact that Mark Venegoni was the main cog in the Carmel offensive wheel this season, a wheel that spun to the tune of 400 yards and 40 points per game.

But if something good had to come out of Venegoni's ankle injury that sidelined him for the Corsairs 6A state title victory against Bloomington, it was the emergence of the future.

"It's (the future) in pretty good hands," said Venegoni, an All-Stater who went 26-I during his two years as Carmel's starting signal-caller, "I just told John to stay positive (this week in practice). He worked hard all week to get prepared and in the title game showed he has the confidence to do the job."

John being John Solan, a junior who took only a handful of snaps at various intervals during the regular season when Carmel had the games well in hand.

Get used to the name, folks

This guy is for real.

Solan showed poise in the pocket and finesse in his passing against the Purple Raiders. More importantly, Solan showed confidence.

"That comes from having a great bunch of teammates out their with me," said Solan, who had Venegoni-like numbers with 62 yards rushing and three scores. He also completed 4-of-4 passes for 75 more and a touchdown during the 54-26 blowout.

Bitto added: "We were lucky to have a whole week to practice. That helped John get even more prepared."

From looking at the numbers in Champaign, doesn't seem like it mattered.

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Employees bound in jewelry store heist Vernon Hills—Police said a

man entered Kay Jewelers in Hawthorn Mall just after closing time, and stole over \$100,000 in jewelry and cash. The offender—described as a black male, male/black. 25-35 years old, 6-foot-4, 245 pounds with a muscular build, wearing white gym shoes, a black knit hat, and a purple jump suit with the word "DADA" in white lettering on the front and back.

Police said the man herded two employees into a bathroom, instructed one to tie another up, then fill two bags with jewelry.

Gun buy back set

Lake County Crime Stoppers, the Lake County Sheriff's Department and area police will participate in the third countywide gun buy-back program. Residents are asked to bring in guns for gift certificates, redeemable at a Lake County food or department store, on Dec. 13, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Drop-off sites include the following village police stations: Buffalo Grove, Lake Forest, Grayslake, Highland Park, Mundelein, Gurnee, Round Lake Beach and Waukegan.

School splits district

Antioch—A survey said incoming juniors and seniors for the 2004 school year clearly showed a preference for staying at Antioch Community High School, The board of education of Community High School District 117 rescinded its prior decision to have all incoming freshmen attend the new campus.

As the board was once again faced with determining the best course to transition from one to two campuses, it sent out surveys to the parents of the 2004 juniors and seniors to determine if there were students interested in finishing their high school careers at the new campus. Only 61 students indicated they would favor a switch.

WINTER COAT DRIVE

The editorial department at Lakeland Media is putting together an effort to help Lake County residents in need.

This drive, called the B.E.L.T. Loop (Bettering Everyone's Lives Together), has already gathered many boxes of winter clothes to help Lake County residents.

Lakeland Newspapers, at 30 S. Whitney St., in downtown Grayslake, is the drop-off point for winter coats and accessories, which will be donated directly.

Feel free to bring items to Lakeland between 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The editorial department thanks you for your help.

CORRECTION

In last week's cover story on Melissa Knigge, there were two typographical errors.

Melissa Knigge's correct blood type is O-positive.

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Lakeland Newspapers' correct telephone number is 847-223-8161.

We regret any confusion caused by the errors.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK



Here comes Santa Claus

Santa makes his grand entrance as the guest of honor along the parade route during the annual Korpan's Landing Christmas Parade in Fox Lake.—Photo by J.W. Sternickle

Critter controversy

Some say potential exotic animal ban must be done on state level

Jungleland Pet Center Manager Bill

Allen holds a 3-year-old Burmese

Python, for sale at the Mundelein

store. The Burmese Python is on a

proposed list of reptiles to be

banned by the Lake County Health

Department. Owners of animals on

the list would be required to obtain

a license if the ordinance goes into

effect.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

Jungleland

Pet Center

By CAREL SCHMIDLKOFER carels@lakelandmedia.com

proposed ordinance to ban some reptiles by Lake County health officials has stirred up controversy and confusion. With current state legislation on the books prohibiting the ownership of venomous and potentially life-threatening animals without a license, some think a county law is pointless.

"This should be done on a statewide basis and not done on a county-by-county basis," said Steve Barten, DVM. "Imagine the confusion and the disparity if each county does it individually."

A well-known veterinarian of reptiles and amphibians, Barten runs the Vernon Hills Animal Hospital in Mundelein and is actively involved in promoting universal state legislation regarding dangerous animals.

sal state legislation regarding dangerous animals.

The Illinois Dangerous Animals Act regulating all dangerous animals, including reptiles, is not as clear as it could be, Barten said.

Together with the Chicago Herpetological Society and the Department of Natural Resources, Barten is working to create clearer state laws in this regard.

The health department's reasoning is one of prevention, said spokesperson, Leslie Piotrowski.

If the state doesn't consider a snake dangerous until

it's eight feet long, it doesn't make sense to sell them in the first place, she said.

Some of the species targeted are Gila monsters, crocodiles, alligators, and a variety of snakes including the Burmese python and reticulated python.

It is the latter that has people steamed, as pythons are popular but can grow larger than state regulations allow for an unlicensed holder.

A Burmese python, for example, makes an adorable pet at 12-inches long. But it but can grow to over 18-feet long and weigh in at just under 200 pounds.

Under state law, pythons aren't illegal to own until they grow to over eight and-a-half feet.

Should the ban on pythons go through at the county level, Burmese python owners are in risk of losing their pet to the county's animal control once they grow over 8.5 feet.

Mark Sandfox, owner f Reptile Rescue in

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Chili's pays for outbreak costs

By CAREL SCHMIDLKOFER carels@lakelandmedia.com

Taxpayers won't have to foot the bill for a health department investigation into the second largest salmonella outbreak recorded in Lake County.

Over 300 people were stricken with salmonella last June after visiting or working in Chili's Bar and Grill in Vernon Hills.

Health officials requested expenses to the tune of \$32,000 be reimbursed to the agency from Chili's corporate office last September.

Dale Galassie, executive director of the county's health department said, "Based upon the extraordinary time and effort involved and the blatant disregard for basic food handling the board of health decided to make a request for reimbursement."

Funds will be used to offset overtime costs for staff members and other expenses incurred with the investigation.

Additional environmental and communicable disease staff were needed to carry out the investigation, Galassie said.

Brinker International, corporate office for Chili's, cooperated fully with the health department's efforts, Galassie said.

"They acknowledged their error," he said. "It was a cooperative venture after a very unfortunate scenario. "Their cooperation was important."

The undertaking prevented a secondary outbreak which could have included well over a thousand people affected by the disease, he said.

Most salmonella infections are traced back to dairy, poultry and

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Corn crops on par with average

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

Though average may not sound like anything special, farmers who chose to grow corn this season are happy to have an average yield.

"Farmers are getting between 100-130 bushels per acre," said Greg Koeppen with the Lake County Farm Bureau. "Average is 120 bushels per acre, so we're right there."

Koeppen said that insignificant rainfall from the end of July through August stunted the growth of crops that had had a stellar beginning with plentiful spring rains.

"This was a perfect spring for growing conditions," he said. "The

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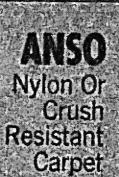
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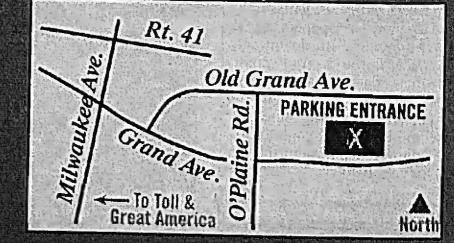
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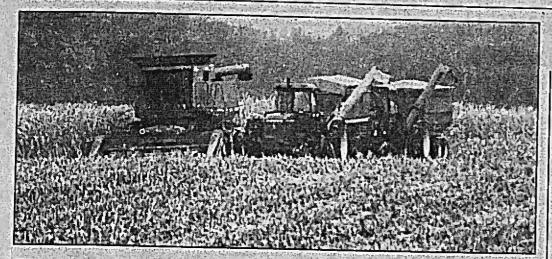
A final report from the health

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The corn harvest this year has been much better than 2002's according to some local farmers.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

CORN

short of it is that Mother Nature didn't follow through and the crops suffered at the end of the summer."

Soybean farmers were fortunate in that crop prices had held steady, and corn farmers are enjoying that same fortune.

Koeppen said, "The prices are

holding steady at \$2.15-2.20 per

Conditions for the harvest were "near-perfect" and allowed farmers to get the crops in with little trouble. Koeppen said, at this point, farmers are just finishing up their work in the fields to ready them for the next crop.

"Last year was a wipeout for our corn crops, so we're in a lot better shape than we were then," Koeppen said. "The corn crop is also better than this year's soy bean crop that had a lower-than-normal yield. It wasn't a perfect year, but it certainly could have been a lot worse."

He also thinks the proposed ban on some species, such as crocodilians, is without merit.

"When's the last time you heard of anybody getting hurt by an alligator (in Lake County)," he asked.

"They put out a couple of movies where there's alligators living in the sewers ... and all of a sudden alligators are a big problem," he said.

Of course, Watson has a lot to lose if the ordinance passes.

He is a major supplier of many of the targeted species, with a large operation in Streamwood that has been found in violation of state laws in the past.

Nothing has been finalized on the county level as of yet, and the debate has been going on for at least

Should the ordinance pass, there are few Lake County pet stores that would be affected.

Endangered bird report may shutter plane park

By JEFF ZACHARY jzachary@lakelandmedia.com

Skyknights Aeromodeling Club President John Early said the Lake County Forest Preserve Board of Directors is still waiting to hear from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources report on the Sandhill cranes before a decision will be made as to whether to permanently shut down the Wauconda Lakewood Forest Preserve model airplane flying

The flying field has been a source of contention between horse riders and airplane enthusiasts.

Since the last meeting (in August) we have had no problems at the site. There have been no violations, no citations and no injuries to horses or riders. Everything has been peachy clean," Early said.

He expressed disappointment that if the IDNR does decide the crane is nesting too close to the field, the Forest Preserve District will close the flying field but will relocate the horse trail.

"It's just unfortunate that the cranes happen to nest about one quarter-mile from our field. However, the horse trail is much closer to the cranes," Early said.

Still, Early is hoping for a favorable ruling by the IDNR. "The bird is not even endangered in Illinois. It is listed as being threatened, not endangered. They even hunt the cranes in Georgia," he said.

The Skyknights club members had been flying their model airplanes for over 40 years on Potter's Field. located at the corner of Curran Road and Town Line Road in unincorporated Round Lake, before they had to abandon the site because of the construction of the Lakewood Homes development.

On April 20, 2002, construction began on the 36-acre flyover site located on Ivanhoe Road in the Lakewood Forest Preserve.

With \$57,000 from the forest preserve and another \$43,000 donated by Trico Excavating, over 200 tons of dirt were laid down on the new site.

The field was open in May of this year. It was temporarily closed on June 9 after the Forest Preserve District received several complaints.

On July 8, Forest Preserve President Bonnie Thomson Carter, along with commissioners Diane O'Kelly and the district staff, met with model airplane users and representatives from the equestrian group and reached a compromise. Under the compromise, the district increased the width of the buffer zone from 200 to 400 feet.

The airfield reopened July 12.

Lakeland Bank sold to Harris

Harris Bank and BMO Financial Group announced an agreement to acquire Lakeland Community Bank, which has offices in Fox Lake and Round Lake Heights.

Founded in 1991, Lakeland Community Bank is a privately held, full-service community bank with \$171 million in assets and \$148 million in deposits as of June 30. The purchase price is an estimated \$34.6 million. Federal regulators are expected to approve the deal in the first quarter of 2004. Upon closing, the Lakeland Community Bank locations will become Harris Bank Round Lake and Harris Bank Fox Lake.

EXOTIC

Wauconda, likes the idea of a county ordinance prohibiting those that will exceed the length set by the state.

"The idea is to not let anybody get uneducated and buy an animal that is going to be illegal when it becomes an adult," he said.

With rumors the state may change the size requirements and types of animals permitted in the state, Sandfox said he thinks the health department will follow the state's lead.

"They're going to take it step-bystep in guidance with the state," he

Piotrowski said the county is species-specific in the ordinance to protect the public.

"The situation with these reptiles is that were looking at prevention and we want to be able to prevent accidents from occurring from these snakes," she said.

"We wanted to be specific about what animals we would be banning," she said. "It is preventative so we don't have an incident where a boa gets loose and injures someone.

Piotrowski cited a case several years ago where two dead snakes were found in a dumpster.

"Every year Lawn Maintenance crews find snakes that have been abandoned," she said.

Lee Watson of Streamwood opposes the proposal. "We're trying to protect the pet

owners," he said. As the owner of Lee Watson Reptile Swap, Watson prefers a

hands-off tactic to reptile ownership. Animals should not be prohibit-

ed because of a few careless pet owners, he said.

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EDITORIALS

Lessons learned: Lakehurst Mall

ike a merchandising meteor, Lakehurst Mall burst on the retailing scene nearly 40 years ago. The 1.2 millionsquare foot mall was an instant success. Lake County shoppers were ready to patronize the sprawling retail hub on Belvidere Road as mall mania swept the nation.

But what soon became apparent, Lakehurst success was bought at a dreadful price—the disintegration of well established destination shopping areas in neighboring communities. Waukegan's downtown Genesee St. collection of retail stores and shops was obliterated, never to recover to this day. Downtown shopping facilities available in Grayslake and Libertyville took heavy hits and struggled for many years to make a comeback.

Now Lakehurst itself is being erased after outliving its usefulness. Developers plan to create Fountain Square, a \$50 million hotel, retail and office complex with trendy restaurants. It will be several years before the location's redevelopment begins to take shape.

Besides marking another example of the passing of the regional mall era, the reincaration of the Lakehurst location underscores the popularity of today's mixed-use concept of suburban development. People like to live and recreate near where they work. The revitalization of traditional main streets as a gathering place for commerce and social interaction emphasizes the enduring quality of "downtown" as a key component of modern urban life.

To their credit, current Waukegan leaders appear to understand that Fountain Square is only one component of a broadbased redevelopment plan. There was a time when Lakehurst Mall was looked upon as an "end all, be all" entity. With sales tax income as the lure, Waukegan out-muscled county government for Lakehurst jurisdiction. Victory provided short-term gains and years of headaches. Was it worth it?

With a construction timetable calling for work to begin in 2005, Fountain Square developers obviously aren't out to "bowl over" the neighboring countryside to capitalize on a fad. In fact, there are sure to be similar hotel-office-retail complexes launched in Lake County by the time Fountain Square oness.

Crossing tracks took a long time

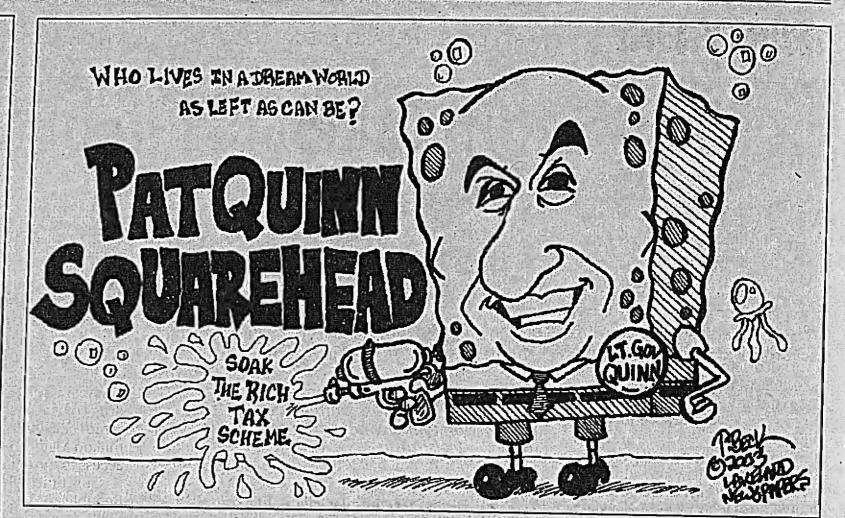
etting to the other side of the tracks hasn't been easy for fire districts separated by the former Soo Line, now the Canadian National railroad, that runs north-south diagonally across Lake County. Slow freights blocking fire trucks and rescue vehicles make a difference when minutes and seconds count.

Financial hurdles took time (years in some cases) to resolve a problem with such an obvious solution—providing a fire station on each side of the tracks so that blockage forever would be eliminated. But there were other reasons, some petty, legitimate logistical problems, turf questions and the oft-times arcane workings of statutes governing tax supported fire districts. The fact that fire departments are separate entities from fire districts didn't make expansion any easier.

Suffice it to say that gradually problems associated with being on the "wrong side of the tracks" were overcome. Antioch included a far east side station with an aggressive expansion program during the 1990s. Grayslake overcame resistance from College of Lake County to establish a second station that will improve fire protection for both CLC's Grayslake campus and the populous Gages Lake-Wildwood sector of the district. Now the Lake Villa Fire Protection District has set in motion plans to build a facility in Lindenhurst.

The Lake County Forest Preserve District played a significant role in making the establishment of a Lindenhurst station a reality, a need that was expressed by political and civic leaders for nearly 40 years. The forest district sold a 2.5 acre site for the firestation obtained in the Hastings Lake YMCA land acquisition last year. Interestingly, the Lake Villa Rescue Squad, a separate entity, solved both turf and logistic problems some years ago by locating its headquarters on Grand Ave. between the two centers of population.

As the current management of Canadian National continues to add more and longer freight trains, the practicality of having fire equipment on both sides of the tracks makes more sense than ever.



VIEWPOINT

National views mixed on Illinois

nce again, national commentators are searching the Illinois political landscape for indicators that will shape the nation in the 2004 Presidential election.

One of the most intriguing notions is that Democratic Gov. Rod Blagojovich has the stuff for future stardom. Like veep, maybe. They're taken with Gov. Blago's youthful brashness, focus on ethics, aversion to raising taxes, willingness to take risks and the Chicago politician's media persona.

Conservative columnist George Will took a whole column to write about how Jack Ryan walked away from moneymaking (obscene amounts, by the way, in investment banking), for a life devoted to educating inner city minority youths and running as a Republican for the U.S. Senate.

Will finds Ryan worth watching because of moral views and the possibility of a Republican making inroads among African Americans. To win in 2004, Will wrote that Ryan probably will have to run far ahead of President Bush. The national pundit has it right there.

Writing about Ryan, one of 18 to 20 candidates from both parties and some fringe groups for the Senate nomination, Will noted that "Illinois has become inhospitable to Republicans." On target. In 1988, George H.W. Bush carried Illinois by a scant two percent. In 1992 and 1996 Bill Clinton carried Illinois 49-34 and 54-47. In 2000 Al Gore carried the state 55-43.

In short, the GOP Senate aspirants will be running uphill all the way.

One of the Republicans who is undaunted by his party's dismal record in state and national elections in recent years is Andy McKenna, 46, who has been laying the ground work for a career in politics for nearly 10 years while helping his first and only wife raise six children and running the family paper business. Because timing was an issue, McKenna passed up an opportunity to run for an open seat for Congress and worked to get Mark Kirk elected in the North Shore's 10th District four years ago.

McKenna thinks the time is right for a business person to become Illinois' junior U.S. senator in the campaign to replace U.S. Senator Peter Fitzgerald. He is one of a half dozen or so candidates seeking the Republican nomination.

Along with a "general unease" the Notre Dame graduate has found in initial visits around the state, McKenna says jobs will be a big issue in deciding who the next U.S. senator will be. "Democrats have the wrong ideas about creating jobs," added McKenna, a non-



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lawyer.

Developing jobs in an iffy environment will be McKenna's prime theme. "That's a core idea that will play well in both the primary and the general election," insisted McKenna when asked if he will have to reformulate a campaign for the general election like unsuccessful GOP candidates have done in the past.

In McKenna's opinion, the War On Terrorism will be one part of the debate next year. "Dealing with the dangers and defending our freedoms can't be denied," McKenna remarked. But restructuring the Illinois economy to create more jobs will transcend security issues, according to McKenna, who is a resident of Glenview.

All the Republican Senate candidates will be talking about the basic GOP agenda—limiting government, keeping national defense strong and promoting personal responsibility. McKenna's strong emphasis on job creation and rebuilding a floundering party can be enough to separate himself from the pack to insure the nomination March 19

and go on to victory next November.

Unforgettable season

For thrills, excitement and quality football, college games and the pros are hard-pressed to match the Illinois state high school finals. We didn't stray far from the tv set with Libertyville and Carmel playing for championships. Talented players and excellent coaching brought recognition and praise to Lake County like never before. Congratulations to the Wildcats and Corsairs for giving us an unforgettable season.

Holiday giving

Hats off to American Hotel
Registry of Vernon Hills, a leading
U.S. supplier to the hotel/motel
industry, for donating 30 pallets of
toiletry products to United Way of
Lake County for distribution to the
needy. Materials included soap,
conditioner and hand lotion.
Distribution will be coordinated
through local food pantries for holiday giving.

Dedication ceremony

A new drill hall at Great Lakes
Naval Station will be dedicated in
ceremonies at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Dec.
5, to commemorate one of the most
famous U.S. Naval battles in history. The USS Midway Ceremonial
Drill Hall will be dedicated as part
of the weekly recruit graduation.
The heroic battle is recounted as
part of boot training and now there
will be a direct link from the World
War II event to the modern Navy
where young sailors train.

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PARTY LINES

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Township takes pride in Stratton portrait

lans are being made for a Lake County version of a ceremony that took place in November in Springfield; the hanging of a portrait of a former Illinois governor.

Grant Township (Fox Lake-Ingleside) has secured a portrait of Gov. William G. Stratton, born and raised in Ingleside, as the centerpiece of the Stratton Room that was dedicated as part of the new township administrative center.

The Stratton portrait, painted by local artist Jean Weliver, was unveiled at a reception at Byron Colby Barn at Prairie Crossing in Grayslake, sponsored by the Lake County Republican Federation.

The painting is magnificent. It will make all our residents proud," stated Grant Township Supervisor Kay Starostovic.

Gov. Stratton is one of four Lake County residents to serve as the state's chief executive. He served two terms from 1952-1960. The Stratton room and portrait are the only memorials to his memory in the county.

Hunting for trouble

Hunters in the vicinity of Lake Zurich will run afoul of a new ordinance to be passed in



Durbin



Fitzgerald

U.S. senators from Illinois split on value of new drug coverage legislation.

December controlling guns. Mayor Jim Krischke said shooting in a nearby unincorporated area has been a problem for two years. Trustees will utilize a quirk in state law providing for a citation if the nuisance bothers residents of a nearby village. Hunters are going for ducks and geese.

Who to believe?

On the historic Medicare bill approved with prescription drug coverage, Illinois' two senators had this to say:

Dick Durbin-"America's parents and grandparents are the losers today and the special interest groups are the winners-The pharmaceutical companies and HMOs will give thanks for this turkey, but America's seniors will get stuffed."

Peter Fitzgerald—"Although the legislation is very expensive and less than perfect, it represents a much-needed modernization of the Medicare system created in 1965—This landmark legislation will translate into new drug coverage for nearly 500,000 low income senior citizens in Illinois and will give all 1.7 million Medicare participants in our state access to the benefit."

Quiz time: Which senator is the Republican? The Democrat?

Chairman sought

Waukegan Republicans are looking for a new township chairman. Torrie Newsome, who replaced Hispanic political activist Gilda Torres, sent mail notification that he is stepping down. Newsome, an assistant state's attorney, is not dropping out of politics. He has accepted township chairmanship of the Andy McKenna for U.S. Senate campaign.

Newsome and his wife, 5th Ward Alderman Edie Newsome, are regarded a potent twosome in Waukegan politics.

Musical chairs

Because of the continuing battle between Mayor Marshall Reagle and trustees, the job of Barrington Village Manager has become a part-time position. Police Chief Jeff Lawler took on managerial duties when Village Manager Curtis Allison was sacked in October. Village Treasurer Denise Pieroni, deputy manager, could fill in when Lawler's double duty ends Dec. 31. Whatbugs the council majority is paying Allison nearly \$100,000 as part of a buy-out agreement so they voted to eliminate the job of village manager.

Poop patrol

Pet owners in Lincolnshire have been put on notice to clean up after animals. Park officials found an "overwhelming" stench in newly renovated Bicentennial Park. A report was put out that two or three days of dog droppings in a watershed of 20 square miles could produce enough bacteria and nutrients to temporarily close a swimming area.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Keep Brae Loch affordable for public use

uring the last meeting of the Lake County Forest Preserve Board of Commissioners, the word "criminal" was repeatedly used to describe those who refused to vote for an exclusive contract for catering service at Brae Loch Golf Club. Extreme pressure has been put on some commissioners to rubber stamp a contract that would reserve the food services and room rental at a publicly funded golf course to a single business, which is not even from Lake County.

One item needs to be made perfectly clear. Forest Preserve staff and leadership have closed the room rental to the public. This is their way of putting additional pressure on the commissioners. They are at liberty to open and rent this facility at any time—if they choose.

Some of us would prefer Brae Loch be preserved as a facility that is priced in the range of the public that it is purported to serve. Why can't someone who wants to bring in his or her own food, or a tray of cold cuts from the supermarket, rent this public facility? Why can't room rental options include a list of qualified caterers, with various types of food and pricing? Why do all of the forest preserve facilities have to be "high end" like Independence Grove, Thunderhawk, and (soon to be) Fort Sheridan?

According to the recently released "Business Plan" for the Lake County Forest Preserves, page 25, paragraph 4 "overall, the financial data shows excessive spending for food cost of goods. Cost of goods should average 25 percent to 35 percent of revenue. Cost of goods was 43 percent in 2003. The high cost of goods could be related to theft, poor inventory practices, low pricing, lack of written standards, waste or high vendor pricing."

The proposed pricing for a lunch at Brae Loch (Business Plan, page 30) is \$14 for lunch and \$18-\$21 for dinner. Are these the prices we want at a golf course owned and funded by the public?

Fortunately, by law, it takes a 2/3 majority or 16 votes to approve an exclusive contract with the Forest Preserve. There is a reason for this. It helps prevent special interests, sweetheart deals and freebies. Several of us (so far, in spite of extreme pressure) have what we feel are legitimate concerns about this proposed, "exclusive" arrangement.

The undersigned Forest Preserve Commissioners are dedicated to the preservation of the Lake County Forest Preserves as an entity that can be afforded by the public that funds it.

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Election humor

According to Judy Topinka, the Democrats are to blame for the embarrassing ballot issue that threatens to reduce President Bush to write-in status on next November's ballot. That's almost funny!

Let's see now... it was the Democrats that crafted Illinois election law to their nefarious purposes; they then got the RNC to schedule the convention so late. Must be a "vast leftwing conspiracy," right?

But some things about this story aren't so entertaining. Like how Topinka told the White House that she was sure she could get the Dems to waive the time limit. Or how, while commending the Senate Republicans for holding out on principle, she herself would have been open to compromise.

It seems that there's way too much of that kind of "collegiality" already in this State.

Come to think of it, this story is not so funny after all.

Lidia Downs, Deputy Director Family Taxpayers Network Carpentersville

Just leave

I keep reading and hearing that now that we are in Iraq we can't just up and leave. To which I respond, "why not?"

First, we should not be there in the first place. We should not have committed ourselves to rebuild and democratize where we obviously are not wanted. But that's water over the dam. What's done is done and now we must think of the future. The old adage "Two wrongs don't make a right." Was never more appropriate.

If it's a matter of "saving face," all we have to do is have President Bush declare "Mission accomplished." (he's used to that) and have our troops and businessmen make as graceful an exit as possible.

> Hank Jacob Wauconda

Carter class act

Jim Farrell is not off to a good start. Three years of living in the area and the fact that one has a lot of free time doesn't necessarily qualify one for a leadership position on the county board. Knowing the feelings of the residents does and Bonnie Carter has been proving year after year that she's in touch with the grassroots.

Bonnie has dug into every issue facing us in western Lake County from peaker plants to waste water disposal, from forest preserve development to transportation issues. She chooses sides based on her research, not which side the mayor is on. Jim, we don't have a problem with that.

Those who claim she's anti-growth are proponents of unbridled, uncontrolled development that would destroy the very character that drew us here in the first place. They usually harbor ulterior motives as well. As a realtor and developer, I have a great deal of respect for the balanced positions she espouses.

The negative tone of the Farrell campaign has taken has lost votes and respect. Bonnie won't respond with a smear campaign, she knows the facts and her record speak for themselves. She's a class act in every way and the voters know it. I look forward to four more years of her style of representation.

Michael Lescher Fox Lake

Prevent back-slide

Our youth is the future of Round Lake. We cannot allow a teacher's strike to take the community backwards when so much progress has been made.

The residents of Round Lake are here by choice. Whether it's the Hispanic family who found communality, those who came for affordable housing, big-city transplants who sought a naturally beautiful, low-crime area for raising children, or those whose family has lived here for ages, we have all made Round Lake our home, And as residents we must direct our efforts to our town's future well-

How can we continue to improve our community and set and example for our children if education is not a top priority? If teachers strike, where does that leave the kids? With babysitters (for those who can afford them)? At home with caregivers who cannot speak English? Unsupervised on the streets, or in the malls? Worse yet, home alone?

The students of District 116 and Round

Lake residents and taxpayers deserve better. How can our kids get a good education when classrooms are filled to the max and when discipline problems constantly distract from teaching? The teachers undoubtedly have legitimate complaints; the district undoubtedly has legitimate fiscal concerns and responsibilities. But, together, somehow, they must arrive at an agreement; not only for the future of Round Lake, but more importantly, for the future of our kids.

Rosemarie Siegel Round Lake

Who to thank?

In the Nov. 21 issue, I noticed in two separate articles written about Thanksgiving that the holiday is a community event, not a religious one. ("Community Thanksgiving day set," "Thanksgiving started out as a community thing, not as a church thing, "Pastor Tom Curry said.) In the Sealed with a Wish section, "The holiday originated not as a day of religious observation but as a traditional English harvest."

I agree it was a community event because the Native Americans were invited to celebrate the bounty of food that autumn, but I find it difficult to believe that the Pilgrims did not give thanks to their Maker for bringing them through such a treacherous journey to reach this land to practice their religious beliefs and for their fruitful harvest. It seems this is another one of those times that people want to remove any semblance of religion from an event.

To whom are we giving thanks?

Dianne York Round Lake Beach

Life plate alive

What is so terribly troubling about offering a license plate promoting adoption in the state of Illinois? Why has there been so much red tape and hoops to jump through for a little old license plate in a state that has over 42 specialty plates ranging from "mammograms save lives" to "village president" and "U.S. Marine Corps." The last two of which have sold absolutely no license plates in this state. Yet, for the past 16 months, the Illinois Choose Life committee has collected 23,568 signatures of citizens who not only want the Secretary of State to make these plates available to the public, but have agreed to purchase the specialty plate when available.

If you can figure out what the hold-up is in getting the "Choose Life" plate in Illinois, please let me know. One thought is that it just may possibly save a few babies' lives. Naah.

> Carol Walsh Lake County Right to Life President Libertyville

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Policy professor

Keynote speaker Professor Paul Green (left) director or the School of Policy Studies at Roosevelt University, talks with Bill Griffin during the Republican Federations second annual fall dinner. Photo by J.W. Sternickle

SALF honored at NU game

Save A Life Foundation presidentfounder Carol Spizzirri was honored by Nextel and Northwestern University for her achievements in saving lives at the Wisconsin-NU football game.

Spizzirri, of Grayslake, was presented with an official game ball by Nextel's region vice president, Mark Flynn and NU Athletic Director Mark Murphy.

The presentation also acknowledged Nextel's appreciation and support for SALF's mission as well as its newfound joint affiliation in helping to improve emergency preparedness.

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Clerk announces lottery for spring ballot slots

Lake County Clerk Willard Helander announced that the lottery to determine position for candidates whose names will appear on the March 16, 2004 General Primary Election ballot has been scheduled.

The lottery will be held at 9 a.m. on Dec. 16, in the lobby of the County Administration Building, 18 N. County St., Waukegan.

The lottery is conducted by the clerk's office when two or more petitions have been received simultaneously for the same office and party. The first day for petition filing is Dec. 8, at 8:30 a.m.

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PETA praises elephant's removal from Richmond farm

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Carol Buckley

Executive director of

By STEVE PETERSON speterson@lakelandmedia.com

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) applauded a government agency's decision to remove an elephant from a Richmond-area farm.

"We are thrilled that the US Department of Agriculture took such a step. It is a drastic step and the Department of Agriculture would not have taken it unless the elephant was in imminent danger," said PETA

spokesperson Deb Leahy. A 57-year-old elephant named Delhi was taken from Hawthorn Corporation property Nov. 22. Delhi was taken to The Elephant Sanctuary Tennessee.

"They are an estab-Elephant Sanctuary lished place for the care of sick or old animals," Leahy said.

Leahy said that PETA has been monitoring how animals are treated under Hawthorn Corporation's care for years. Delhi could live to be around 70-years-old if she makes a good recovery, Leahy said.

The USDA seized Delhi under the Animal Welfare Act. The animal arrived in Tennessee about 6 a.m. Nov. 23. The Elephant Sanctuary learned of the elephant's arrival last week.

"This is the first time that the Department of Agriculture has brought an elephant to us," said Carol Buckley, who is executive director of the Elephant Sanctuary.

Buckley said that with proper care Delhi might recover. "She is a little think with a pot belly, which may be due to her diet and age. She appears to be healthy, with the exception of her feet and her trunk.

"She has long-term food infection, scarring, chemical burns and blowouts, an infection that spreads from one area to the outside of the foot," Buckley said. "She also has some dead tissue and overgrowth on her skin and legs."

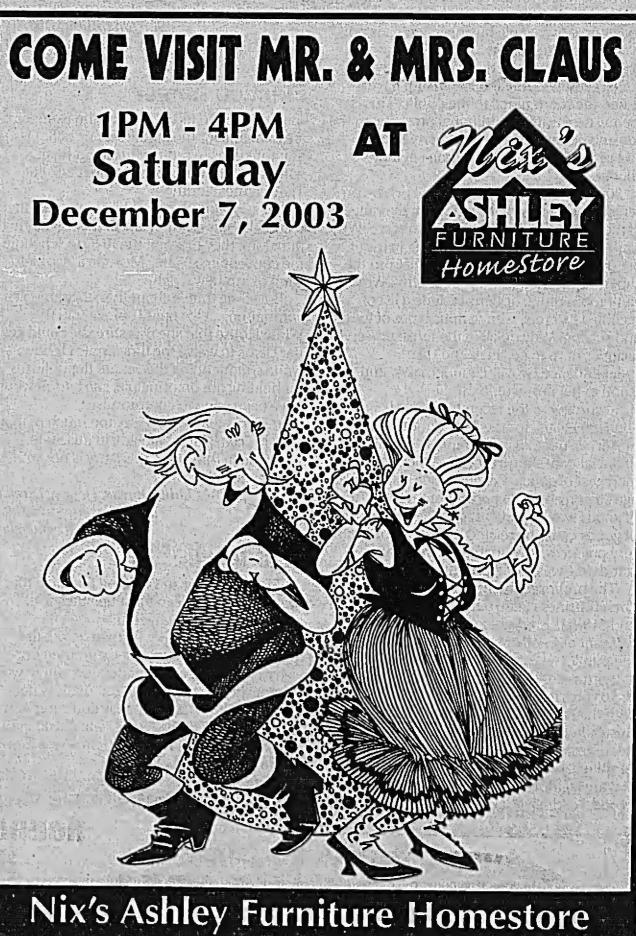
> Delhi has a good appetite, Buckley said. Her trunk, though, has been partially paralyzed and Delhi has come up with an "ingenious way" of taking water. She is also very good at letting us be around her," Buckley said.

"We call around and see who would take it. The company was given 24 hours notice of our intent," said US Department of Agriculture spokesman Jim Rodgers.

PETA charges that the animals have a human strain of tuberculosis, which. has been transmitted to workers.

This spring, USDA filed 47 charges against Hawthorn Corp. The confiscation is separate from those charges. There will be a hearing at Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. March 8-12 on those charges.

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Carmel presents holiday programs

Carmel High School's drama department will present "Yes Virginia, There is a Santa Claus" on Dec. 5-6, at 7 p.m., in the auditorium. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and senior

The Music Department will present its annual Christmas concert on Dec. 11, at 7 p.m., in the auditorium. The concert includes performances by choral and instrumental ensembles. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and senior citizens. Call Carmel's Music Department 847-327-6348, for additional information.

National Merit semifinalists

Three seniors have been selected as semifinalists in the 49th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Semifinalists were selected based in part on scores on the 2002 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. These students will now advance along with approximately 16,000 other Semifinalist in the have a record of very high academic performance, be endorsed and recommended by their school principal, and earn SAT scores that confirm their earlier qualifying test performance. Congratulations to the following Carmel seniors: Megan Knight of Lake Zurich, Serena Larkin of Mundelein and James Levasseur of Libertyville.

Music festival

Four students are scheduled to compete at the Illinois Music Education Association District festival in November. This organization of nearly 75,000 members views music as a vital component in the complete education of every child, and promotes music education by sponsoring and organizing performance festival opportunities for student musicians. Those students who qualify will be invited to participate in the State Festival that will be held early next year.

Students participating include: Honors Band-Corrine Mina, senior, from Great Lakes;



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Childbirth education classes

The childbirth education classes at Condell Medical Center, 801 S. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville, will enhance and complement your doctor's advice. Taught by trained, certified instructors, these classes provide understanding, support and information that will take the expectant couple from pregnancy through the postpartum period, and help them to adjust to the changes that having a baby brings. Classes cover a variety of subjects including Pondering Pregnancy, Early Pregnancy, Childbirth Refresher, Infant Development, Grandparents Class, Basically Breastfeeding, Breast-feeding and Working and Caring for Baby. Call 847-990-5407, or in Spanish: 847-990-1289.

Adult fitness classes

Centre Club hosts Adult Fitness Classes from 8:45 - 9:45 a.m. each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Prairie View Park Building, 16652 Port Clinton Rd., Vernon Township. This class is the former Senior Fitness class that was held at the Condell Acute Care Center in Buffalo Grove. A certified Centre Club instructor leads exercises to music from the 1940s, '50s and '60s. The cost is \$3 per class. The first class is free. Call Centre Club, 847-990-5742 or Vernon Township, 847-634-4600.

VISTA HEALTH

Vista Health's Senior Spirit sets luncheon schedule

Vista Health will again present its series of Senior Spirit luncheons in 2003. The lowcost events include a buffet lunch with beverage and an informational speaker. Cost is just \$2 for members of Senior Spirit and \$3 for non-members. Members must show their cards at the door. Reservations will be taken up to five days before each event. To make a reservation, call 1-800-843-2464. This month, the Senior Spirit luncheon is: December 16, Victory Memorial Hospital Same Day Surgery Conference Room, Waukegan. Topic will be "Handling Grief at the Holidays".

Childbirth Preparation

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Crisis Counseling Available

The Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center offers walk-in and telephone crisis counseling and referrals for Lake County residents experiencing emotional stress. This is a service of the Crisis Care Program, 3002 Grand Ave., Waukegan. Counselors are available 24 hours a day. For assistance, call 847-377-8088. (A TDD, hearing impaired phone line is also available at 847-360-2905.)

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House rules stand…even on Christmas

Hi Dr. Singer,

Happy Holidays to you! We have family coming in from out of town and have graciously asked them to stay at our house over the holidays. I am a bit anxious about it because, we know that their 3 kids are very out of control. We have gone through your behavior program and so far since then, our kids are great and behaving very well. Our kids used to also be completely out of control before we saw you. We are concerned about several things. First, we worry that the 3 out of control kids will influence our kids back to bad behavior. We are also concerned that if we try to enforce our house rules on their kids that it will cause family discord and make the holidays miserable. Can you suggest anything? D.W.

First happy holidays to you too and I'm glad that my program helped you so much! Family getting together for the holidays can have this kind of edge to it, but I think there are some pretty simple ways to look at it. If your extended family and their 3 kids were staying at a hotel, certain types of behavior would be expected there too and certain types would not be allowed. No one appreciates an out of control child and you do not need to feel that it should be allowed in your home just because these are family members. If these parents would actually ruin the holidays over being asked to control their kids, then I think they might need more help than their kids do. If I were you, I would be more interested in making sure the holidays were spectacular for my own bunch and not feel bad about putting these people in their place in your place! I would suggest that prior to them getting there, you have a conversa-



PARENT'S PLACE

Dr. Sherri Singer

tion with the parents over the phone and let them know what is acceptable in your home and what is not! Tell them that your kids have recently begun to behave very well and you do not want anything to interfere with it. After all, your relationship with your kids is more important than not hurting these people's feelings. Let them know that there are certain rules to be followed in your home and that their kids will be expected to follow the same rules yours do. I believe that most parents would welcome that type of intervention, especially when there are 4 adults to take it on and not just 2. If they are decent at all, they will not only abide by it, but appreciate it. If they are selfish and believe that their kids are allowed to act any destructive way they want no matter where they are, than I'm not sure it would be a bad thing to have them say they are not coming. I know this sounds harsh, but if they are like that, your

chance of having a happy holiday with them is slim to none if you allow them to do this. Remember, your core family should be the most important priority all the time and at this time of year.

If they agree to allowing your house rules to stand for their kids too (which they probably will,) all is well and have them come. They will see some things you learned from me by your example and maybe they'll appreciate it. They probably would welcome the relief that this program brings!

However you decide to handle this, just remember that out of control behavior is not acceptable anywhere and should not be acceptable in your house either, even with family! Good luck and have a great holiday!

Dr. Singer is a Psychologist who regularly works in person improving kid's attention, behavior, processing and learning skills fast. She has been an ADD Coach to many kids on meds and has also trained the skills of many other labeled kids who are not on medication to take them to attention, behavior and learning heights their parents never dreamed they were capable of. For an appointment call (708) 962-2549 or (847) 231-5644. Dr. Singer's office is located in Grayslake.

Eating healthy and exercising throughout the holiday-season reduces cancer risk

The holiday season is upon us and food is all around us. Rather than reacting to a month's worth of bad habits come January 1 with a resolution that will be broken by February, the American Cancer Society recommends taking a proactive approach to the holidays by starting a healthy eating, healthy

living regimen today.

"Nutrition and exercise go hand in hand," said Linda Van Horn, PhD, member of the American Cancer Society Illinois Division Prevention Committee. Van Horn, also Professor of Preventive Medicine and Research Nutritionist at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine says the best way for people to maintain a healthy weight is to make healthy dietary choices and to increase their level of activity.

"This should be a conscious decision made each day, rather than a resolution made once a year," Van Horn said.

Nearly one-third of the more than 500,000 annual U.S. cancer deaths are attributed to diet and physical activity habits. Being overweight is associated with an increased risk for developing cancers of the breast (among postmenopausal women), colon, endometrium, gallbladder, esophagus, pancreas, kidney, and possibly other sites as well. And, people who engage in moderate to vigorous levels of physical activity are at a lower risk of developing colon and breast cancer than those who do not.

The American Cancer Society Nutrition and Physical Activity Guidelines for Cancer Prevention recommend eating a wide variety of healthy foods including five or more daily servings of fruits and vegetables, choosing whole grains rather than refined grains and sugars, limiting red meats high in fat, and limiting consumption of alcohol.

Physical activity affects cancer risk indirectly through its role in helping to maintain a healthy weight; it also plays a more direct role. For example, with colon cancer, physical activity accelerates the movement of food through the digestive system, which reduces the time that the lining of the bowel is exposed to potentially cancer-causing substances. Based on this evidence, the Society encourages adults to be active for 30 minutes five or more days per week and children or teens to be active at least an hour every day.

"Abiding by these guidelines does not constitute a diet, but a way of life, because you do not eliminate food groups or give up your favorite foods," Van Horn said.

For information about the guidelines, and to obtain a copy of "Living Smart," the American Cancer Society's guide to healthy eating and being active, call toll-free 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org. The American Cancer Society is a nationwide, community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering through research, education, advocacy,

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The ACR awards accreditation to facilities for the achievement of high practice standards after a peer-review evaluation of its practice. Board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field conduct evaluations. They assess the qualifications of the personnel and the adequacy of facility equipment. The surveyors report their finding to the ACR's Committee on Accreditation, which subsequently provides the practice with a comprehensive

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The American Cancer Society (ACS) estimates that in the United States approximately 203,500 new cases are diagnosed and about 40,000 women die each year from cancer originating in the breast. One in 8 American women who live to age 85 will develop this illness at some time during her life. The incidence rate increases with age, and women 75 years and older are at the highest risk. Breast cancer can affect males, but the disease strikes women about 100 times as often as it does men.

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The beneficiary would thus pay \$3,600 for the first \$5,100 worth of medicine in a year, and that does not include the premiums, estimated at \$420 a year. Beyond that, Medicare would cover 95 percent of the cost of each prescription, after the patient had spent \$3,600.

Low-income people without any insurance for prescription drugs stand to gain most from the new Medicare benefit. They could receive extra assistance, reducing their premiums, deductibles and other costs.

None of these "benefits" begins until 2006. By Spring of 2004 you will have the option of purchasing a prescription drug discount card that may save you between 15-25%. That will occur if the big drug companies cooperate with the distributors of the discount cards and lower their prices. Why should they if they have no competition on their name brand drugs?

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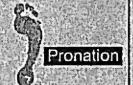
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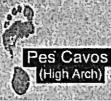












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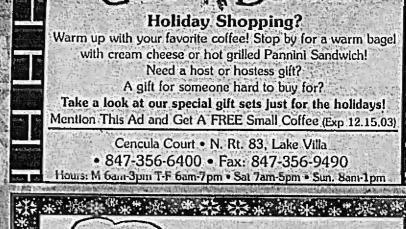
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If you prefer to have the focus of your room be away from the windows, and toward, for example, your furniture, or a colorful rug or wall hanging, the obvious choice for the window is a natural or neutral color.

and a relatively simple style. Even a simple style, however, can be graceful and pleasing. Plain curtains can be tied back in the middle, down low or up high, depending what looks

Some people prefer more of the room focus to be on the windows, to complement or contrast with neutral color in their furnishings, or to emphasize a view out the window, In this case, perhaps more color or a bolder style in the window treatments is called for. Layering a top treatment over a curtain or a sheer, for example, definitely makes more of a statement at the window.

Choosing Colors

Colors in window treatments always play

an important role in your overall decorating scheme. It's common today to mix naturals and whites, or prints, stripes and solid colors. Warm shades of reds, yellows, and pinks will add life to a quiet room. Cool colors - gray, white or blue - are restful tones. Greens and browns are pleasing earth tones. The key is to pick colors that make you feel good, and that coordinate with or complement the other colors in your room.

Curtain Length

Curtain length is yet another factor to consider. Longer curtains will visually lengthen a window and add perceived height to a room. Curtains to the floor generally lend a more formal feeling to a

room. Shorter curtains, to the sill, to the apron, or between the apron and the floor, feel more casual. Holding curtains back with fabric or rope tiebacks, or with holdback hardware, can visually widen a window.

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Then there's the issue of light control. To soften and filter the incoming light, laces or sheers produce a wonderful effect, and lend themselves nicely to layering. To block out the light, consider a lined or insulated curtain, or a fabric shade. The latter choices will also afford privacy when you want it, and allow you to let in lots of light when you want



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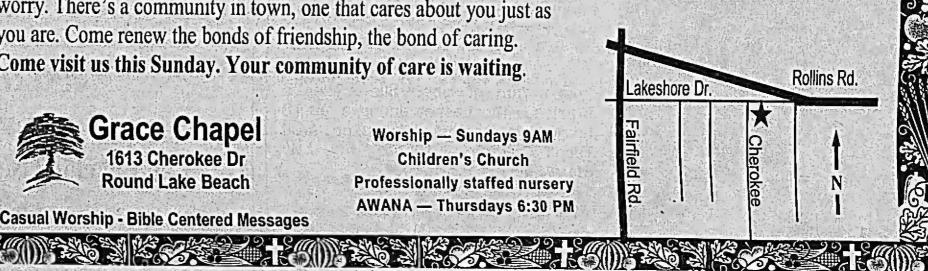
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Lancers off to, best start in 15 years

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point, we don't even have

a win yet'

Shawn Chism,

CLC men's basketball coach

By ROB BACKUS rbackus@lakelandmedia.com

Given that CLC hasn't had a winning record in 15 years, head coach Shawn Chism has every reason to be optimistic about his team's 4-3 start.

The team's strong start comes despite losing four starters from last year's 13-19 squad. In fact, CLC has just three sophomores on its roster.

"The freshmen have been playing

well," Chism said.
"Hopefully they can learn
to play every night."

The Lancers started out the week with a 97-80 win over St. Francis University.

"We were hitting on all cylinders," Chism said. "We played solid defense and we rebounded well, which is a key for us."

CLC had four players in double figures, including Austin Yarc (20 points, 8 assists, 4 steals), Marc Harvey (17 points, 4 assists, 3 steals), Aaron Jones (10 points, 9 rebounds) and Dwane Wilson (18 points, 5 rebounds).

The Lancers, however, lost the next night to Joliet Junior College, 101-69.

"It was a bad day," Chism said. "We were down 20 points eight minutes into the game. We just couldn't score."

Harvey (14 points, 3 assists), Dre Gant (10 points, 8 rebounds), and Courtney Reed (13 points, 5 rebounds) all had solid efforts in the loss.

The CLC was able to bounce back in a big way with a 90-78 win over Milwaukee Area Tech College.

"It was a complete effort from everyone," Chism said. "We usually have trou-

> ble keeping teams under 80 (points). If we can do that we'll win some games."

In both the win over MATC and the win over St. Francis, CLG had several key transition baskets, keyed by speedy point guard Austin Yarc.

"Austin has led us in our wins," Chism said. "But we have some other quality guards. Harvey

and Bryant Peoples can handle the ball too."
With CLC above .500 seven games into

With CLC above .500 seven games into the season, Chism has high hopes for the rest of the year.

"We want a Skyway title and we want a winning record," Chism said. "We want to get the program back to respectability."



Austin Yarc of Libertyville makes a break for the basket during a 90-78 home win against Milwaukee Area Tech College.— Photo by J.W. Sternickle

Whitehead named CLC's first volleyball All-American

By ROB BACKUS rbackus@lakelandmedia.com

Erin Whitehead, a 2002 graduate of Lake Forest High School, was named to the 2003 NJCAA Division II All-American First Team.

Whitehead, a 5-10 right side hitter, led the Lady Lancers to 39-6 (12-0, Skyway Conference) record, winning37 straight matches, capturing CLC's first Skyway title since 1986, and the school's first appearance in the Region IV Finals.

Whitehead was ranked nationally among the leaders in hitting efficiency (.324), kills per game (4.02), and service aces per game (0.91).

One of the Lancers' best alltime players, she shattered CLC single season records this year in kills (486) and aces (110). She was also named NJCAA Division II Player of the Week on Oct. 4.

"It's exciting," Whitehead said. "It was a good season and I had a lot of fun."

To think, had things gone as planned, Whitehead would never have taken the court for CLC.

Originally, Whitehead decided to play for Division II Lynn (Fla.) University, but a disagreement with the coaching staff and a subsequent knee

injury, which prevented her from playing for UW Whitewater, caused her to come back home.

"It didn't work out in Florida,"
Whitehead said. "So I decided to have some fun and play at CLC."

And CLC coach Bob Taterka, for one, is glad to have had her on the team.

"So much of our success this year was due to her play," Taterka said. "Not only did she put up the numbers, but she was a great leader. She had a great attitude and a great work ethic. She's a special player."

Unfortunately for the Lady Lancers, this season will be the only one Whitehead is eligible to play for CLC, as she will graduate in May, 2004.

"Replacing Erin will be a tremendous challenge,"
Taterka said. "We will have to search far and wide."

As for Whitehead, she doesn't know what her future will hold.

"I haven't decided whether to keep playing," Whitehead said. "I've been playing since I was 11, so I

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might want some time off."

In the meantime,
Whitehead will stay involved in the game
as a coach of the U-17 team at the
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OBITUARIES

Nicholas Badame

Age 81 of Antioch, passed away Saturday, Nov. 29, 2003 at St. Therese Medical Center in Waukegan. He was born July 30, 1922 in Chicago, the son of the late George and Guidanina (Cozzo) Badame. Nick served in the U.S. Army in the Pacific during WWII. On Aug. 29, 1946 he married Ellen M. Calabrese in Chicago. He and his family moved to Antioch in 1956 where he operated a cab business and numerous restaurants, until his retirement. He was a member of St. Peter Church and a past member of the Rotary Club in Antioch.

Survivors include his wife Ellen; a daughter, Nicole Garrison of Antioch; his sons, Joe (Pam) Badame of Antioch and Philip Badame of Lake Forest; a brother Philip Badame of Gurnee; his grandchildren, Tisha Garrison, Sara Garrison (John) Burns, Lon Garrison and Christa Badame and his great granddaughter Madeleine. He is preceded in death by a sister Katherine Benton and a brother Joseph Badame.

Memorial Funeral Service with Mass of Christian Burial was held Dec. 2 at 10 a.m. at St. Peter Church in Antioch. Interment of his cremains was in Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Antioch. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Peter Church, 557 Lake St., Antioch, IL 60002 or the Antioch Rescue Squad in his memory. Arrangements were handled by the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch.

George Ronson

Age 89 of Zion, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 26, 2003 at the Midwestern Regional Hospital in Zion. He was born March 18, 1914 in Gary, Ind., the son of the late John and Helen (Romanchuk) Ronson, moving to Zion in 1994. George was a self employed painter before his retirement.

Survivors include a nephew George (Susan) Miller of Mokena; two nieces, Sherene (Wayne) Jones of Zion and Diane (Dennis) Swanson of Antioch; one grand niece Laura Brown and one grand nephew Brian Miller; one great grand nephew Stephen and one great grand niece Brianna.

Funeral Service was held at 2 p.m., Dec. 1

at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch.
Interment was in Hillside Cemetery in Antioch. Friends called at the funeral home from 1 p.m., Dec. 1 until the time of services.

Donald.

Visitation was on Dec. 2 from 9:30-10:30

a.m. at St. Bede Catholic Church in Ingleside.

A 10:30 a.m. Mass was celebrated with Pastor Tim Fairman officiating. Entombment fol-

Leonard Thielen

Age 76 of Bradenton, Fla., died Nov. 24, 2003. Born Jan. 27, 1927 in Chicago, he moved to Bradenton, Fla. in 1982 from Round Lake. He was a retired postmaster in Round Lake. He was a member of the American Legion, former member of Knights of Columbus, and member of the Lions Club, all in Round Lake. He was a member of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Catholic Church in Sarasota, Fla. and served in the U.S. Navy during WWII.

He is survived by his wife, Marion R.; three sons, Dale W. of Mabank, Tex., Ronald J. of Chicago and James A. of Parrish, Fla.; his mother, Antoinette Thielen and sister, Luella Folgers, both of Round Lake; five grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

A Memorial Mass was held at 11 a.m., Dec. 1 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Round Lake. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Southwest Florida, 5955 Rand Blvd., Sarasota, Fla., 34238 or to American Diabetes Assn., P.O. Box 2680, North Canton, Ohio 44720. Brown and Sons Funeral Homes in Bradenton, Fla. handled the arrangements in Florida.

Bernard Mergen

Age 81, passed away Saturday, Nov. 29, 2003 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. He was a resident of Round Lake Beach and served in the military.

Bernard is survived by his son, George (Trudy) Mergen; three grandchildren; many great grandchildren; the Burchett family and his pet dogs, Kilr and Mouse.. He is preceded in death by his two brothers; a sister; a nephew; nieces and his dog, Penny Sue.

A Funeral Service is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 6 at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., 410 E. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake at 10 a.m. Interment will be held immediately after at Avon Centre Cemetery in Grayslake. Friends of the family may visit on Friday, Dec. 5 at the funeral chapel from 4-8 p.m.

Rosemary Lutz (nee Reilly)

A longtime resident of Fox Lake, died Thursday, Nov. 27, 2003 at Condell Hospital in Libertyville. She was born on Oct. 24, 1929 in Chicago to Francis and Grace (nee Oppel) Reilly, and was employed as a transportation clerk with Fuji-Sawa (formerly Lypo-Med) in Franklin Park until retirement in 1998. She was a member of St. Bede Catholic Church in Ingleside, a past president of St. Bede's Women's Club, and was a devoted member of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul.

Survivors include her children, Lawrence (Marilyn) Lutz of Ingleside, Mary (Shawn) Frey of Ingleside, James (Karen) Lutz of Round Lake Beach, Edward (Margaret) Lutz of Kalamazoo, Mich., William Lutz of Arkansas; her grandchildren, Jeremy, Brendan, Meredith Lutz of Ingleside, Breanna, Tiffany, Travis Frey of Ingleside, Reilly and Regan Lutz of Round Lake Beach, Casey Samantha and Alexander Lutz of Michigan and Joseph Lutz of Arkansas. She is preceded in death by her parents, and by two brothers, Richard and Donald.

Visitation was on Dec. 2 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at St. Bede Catholic Church in Ingleside. A 10:30 a.m. Mass was celebrated with Pastor Tim Fairman officiating. Entombment followed at Warren Cemetery in Gurnee. Memorials for the Society of St. Vincent De Paul, 645 W. Randolph St., Chicago, IL 60661 will be appreciated by the family. Arrangements were handled by the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home in Fox Lake (The Chapel on the Lake)

Joseph J. Kapusta

Age 80 of Mundelein, passed away Friday, Nov. 28, 2003 at the Condell Medical Center in Libertyville.

Surviving are his wife, Justine (Nee Placek) Kapusta of Mundelein; three children, Thomas (Lori) Kapusta of Oak Park, Beth Kapusta of Grayslake and Carol (Scott) Baum of Libertyville; four grandchildren and his sister. He is preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Elizabeth Kapusta; by a brother and a sister.

Prayers began at 10:30 a.m., Dec. 2 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville and services continued to St. Mary of Vernon Catholic Church for a Funeral Mass at 11 a.m.

Interment followed at Our Lady of Sorrows Cemetery in Hillside. Visitation was at the funeral home from 2-8 p.m. on Dec. 1. Memorial contributions can be made to St. Mary of Vernon Church Building Fund in his memory.

Alice M. Fitzpatrick

Age 85, passed away Thursday, Nov. 27, 2003 at the Lake Forest Hospital in Lake Forest.

Alice is survived by her husband, Bill Fitzpatrick Sr.; her children, Marie Shepherd, William T. (Betty) Fitzpatrick Jr. and Tom (Mary) Fitzpatrick; her grandchildren and her great grandchildren. Her parents, Leslie and Alice Pain preceded her in death.

A Funeral Mass was privately held on Dec. 1 at St. Gilbert Catholic Church in Grayslake. Friends of the family visited on Nov. 30 at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., in Grayslake from 2-5 p.m. Memorials may be made to Lake Forest Hospital, the Pediatric Ward Office of Philanthropy, 660 N. Westmoreland Rd., Lake Forest, IL 60045

Marilyn L. Frank

Age 77 of Antioch, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2003 at her home. She was born in Chicago, the daughter of the late Louis and Harriett (Peters) Pirson. On March 1, 1951, she married Kenneth Frank in Chicago and he preceded her in death on Feb. 21, 1995.

Survivors include her sister, Charlotte (Raymond) Ostergren of Northbrook; three nieces, Nicole (John) Simoni of Palatine, Debbie (Jake) Berreth of Hayden Lake, Idaho and Brandie (Dennis) Smith of Gurnee; three grand nieces and two grand nephews. In addition to her husband, she is preceded in death by two sisters, Nancy Balek and infant, Donna.

Funeral service was held at 11 a.m., Dec. 1 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Friends called at the funeral home from 2-5 p.m., Nov. 30, where Women of the Moose Services were held at 4 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to the Antioch Rescue Squad or Moosehaven, in her memory.

John R. McAvoy

Age 77 of Antioch, passed away Sunday, Nov. 30, 2003 at St. Therese Medical Center, Waukegan. He was born Feb. 17, 1926 in Chicago, the son of the late Leon and Katherine (Rockwood) McAvoy. He had lived in Rolling Meadows for many years, moving to Antioch in 1971.

John served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He was a member of St. Peter Church in Antioch, the AARP and senior citizens. He loved to golf, bike ride and sports. Before his retirement, he was the office manager for Illinois Range of Bristol, Wis. where he worked from 1971 until 1998. On July 10, 1948 he married the love of his life, Dorothy Bronars in Chicago and she preceded him in death on Dec. 22, 1998.

Survivors include his sons, John (Joanie) of Lisle, Michael (Joan) of Crystal Lake and Tom (Angela) of Paddock Lake, Wis.; nine grandchildren, Shawn, Erin, Michael, Christopher, Molly, Daniel, Kelly, Megan and Shannon. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by a sister, Joan.

Funeral Services with Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, 2003 at St. Peter Church, 557 Lake St., Antioch. Interment will be in Hillside Cemetery, Antioch. Friends called at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch, 1055 Main St. (Rte. 83) from 4 until 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 3.

James F. Zigmund

James F. Zigmund, age 72, of Round Lake Beach, died Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2003, at Condell medical Center, Lbiertyville.

He ws born oct. 3, 1931, in Frackville, Pa., to Victor and Alma (Kleman) Zigmund. On March 9, 1968, he married Margaret Tannenbaum in Chicago, beginning 35 years of marriage.

In 1951, James joined the United States Navy, serving until 1954. Formerly of Winston, Ga., James was employed at Bell & Howell Company as a service and distribution manager for the South-East District. In 1980, he relocated to Round Lake Beach, continuing his work for Bell & Howell Co. until 1983, when he went to work for Cloud Corporation as an industrial buyer, where he remained until his retirement 14 years later in 1997.

He was a former Rotarian in Atlanta, Ga. His greatest joy was spending time with his family.

Surivivors include his wife of 25 years, Margaret; his daughter Margaret "Greta" (Robert) Delligatti of Lindenhurst; three sons, Hans (Dana) Zigmund of Round Lake, Daniel (Susan) Zigmund of Lakemoor, and Thomas Zigmund of Round Lake Beach; four grandchildren, Christine, Allison, Tony and Zachary; two sisters, Rita (Harry) Ain of Frontenac, Kan. and Alma (Joe) Evans of Eugene, Ore.; a brother, Francis (Cinda) Zigmund of Blue Springs, Mo., and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Victor, in 1970.

Visitation is on Thursday, Dec. 4, from 5 until 8 p.m. Funeral Service will be on Friday, Dec. 5 at 9:30 a.m. at Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home, 222 N. Rosedale Ct. (at Cedar Lake Road) Round Lake. Rev. Lisle Kauffmann will officiate. Interment will be at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood. For further information, call 847-546-3300.

Louis J. Lease

Age 78 of Spring Grove, died Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003 at Northern Illinois Medical Center in McHenry. He was born in Force, Penn., to Adam and Mary (Regulski) Lease. On Oct. 22, 1947 he married Philomena Mary Piccirillo in Ridgway, Penn. He was a member of St. Peter Catholic Church in Spring Grove.

Survivors include his wife of Spring Grove; two sons, Steve Lease of Chicago and Dan (Nancy) Lease of Spring Grove; three grandchildren, Jeremy, Tina and Tracy; two brothers, Vincent Lease of Blacksburg, Va. And David (Barbara) Lease of Weedville, Penn. And two sisters, Catherine (Joseph) Asalone of Weedville, Penn. And Pauline (John) Lovenduski of Force, Penn. And many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

Visitation was held Nov. 25 in Pennsylvania and the Funeral Mass was held on Nov. 26 with burial following. Local arrangements were handled by Colonial Funeral Home in McHenry.

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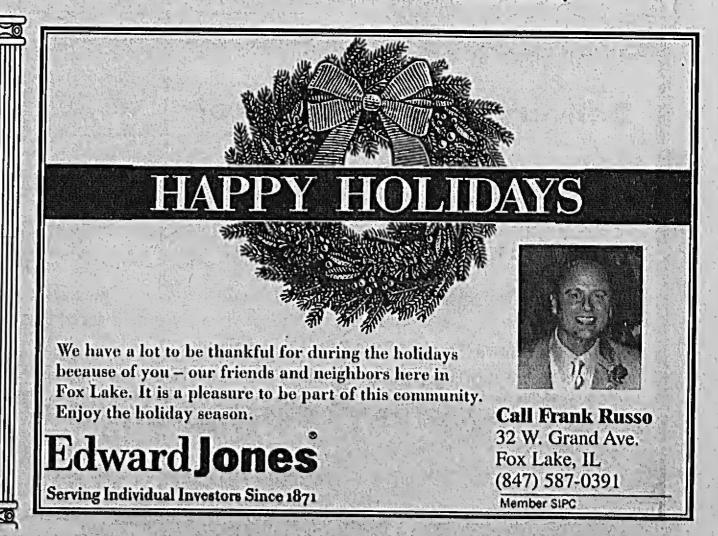
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for Human Development, according to the

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The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's

Oases Redevelopment Project continues with

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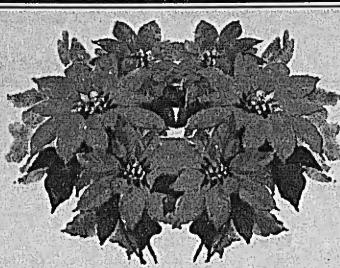
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Holocaust claim deadline nears

reconstruction and will reopen this month.

Illinois Holocaust survivors and heirs have until Dec. 31 to file insurance claims with the International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims. According to State Sen. Adeline Geo-Karis (R-Zion), the extended deadline will provide sufficient time to publish additional policyholder names and allow more individuals to file possible claims.

"Illinois residents who are Holocaust survivors or heirs are entitled to unpaid insurance policies," Geo-Karis said.

Beginning April 30, German life insurance companies released the names of Holocaust victims. Approximately 363,000 victims' names will be publicized in effort to locate survivors and heirs. The list, updated as recently as this month, is available online at www.icheic.org, as well as the claim forms. You can also get a claim forms by calling the ICHEIC at 800-957-3203.

Lacagna

CLC, coalition conference

The College of Lake County and Coalicion Latinos Unidos de Lake County will sponsor "Engaging Latinos in the Political Process." a conference for Latinos in Lake County, from 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., on Dec. 10, on the college's Grayslake campus.

The conference will feature keynote speaker State Senator Miguel del Valle (D-Chicago) and a workshop conducted by Juan Andrade, a presidential medal recipient and president of the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute. Cost of the conference is \$20 per person, which includes lunch and refreshments. To register, call 847-543-2994 (English) or 847-543-2752 (Spanish).

Senators honored

State Sens. Susan Garrett (D-Lake Forest) and Adeline Geo-Karis (R-Zion) have received the "Friend of Consumer" award from the Coalition for Competitive Illinois Telecommunications for opposing Senate Bill 885—SBC's rate-hike legislation that would have raised local phone rates in Illinois by as much as 70 percent.

Recreation grant

A Lake County Recreation effort will receive funds from Illinois' Snowmobile Grant Program, according to State Senator Adeline Geo-Karis (R-Zion). The Northeastern Illinois Association of Snowmobile Clubs will receive \$3,300 to purchase snowmobile trail signs, stakes, and posts that will better mark public snowmobile trails and help snowmobilers avoid trespassing on residential property adjacent to the trails.

Bornstein joins board

The Lake County Board has appointed Dr. Shari Bornstein of Highland Park to the Lake County Tuberculosis Sanatorium board of directors. This three-member board sets policy for and oversees the programs of the Lake County Tuberculosis Clinic. The clinic provides a variety of clinic-based services such as TB skin tests, x-rays, medications, physician evaluation and consultation, and health education. Such efforts help prevent the transmission of tuberculosis in the community. In 2002, the clinic provided services to 24,772 clients. Nineteen people were diagnosed with tuberculosis in Lake County.

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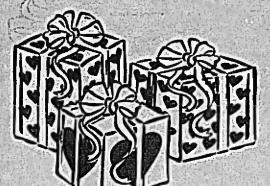
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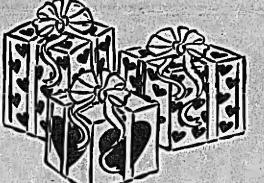
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By Scott T. Fleischmann With the high tech tools available today, employers have access to more. Information about future employees than ever before. Most candidates are not aware of all of the resources used. Therefore, they can not be prepared to address the results of those investigations.

Companies are being held responsible for hiring decisions. In order to prevent adverse litigation, they are doing everything possible to hire the best employees. A part of that diligence is assuring that a candidate is well rounded and that they have done everything possible to protect their employee's, vendors, and customers from people who are not complete-

Here are some of the background investigations that are being done by

Drug Screening - Applicants know of this test of course because of the procedure used. After giving written permission, the candidate is sent to a clinic, where he or she is told to put all personal property in a locker. Coat's, a purse, and the contents of clothing pockets are not allowed beyond this point. Then the candidate is given a cup and directed to a bathroom where he or she is asked to produce a specimen.

These tests are relatively accurate. However, they can pick up certain types of prescription drugs and combinations of drugs, spices and herbs as false positives. When that happens, the clinic will do more accurate test to identify the specific substance. There is no question about most ittegal drugs.

 Criminal Background Checks — This is becoming more common. In addition, the breadth of these discoveries is more far reaching than ever before. This is an investigation into past criminal activity. Banks are required by law to have this process completed for every employee. Until recently, many companies would have a very limited investigation done That scrutiny is becoming more elaborate because there is more information available.

• Credit Checks - Theft of employer property has become and epidemic crime. As one step in the fight against stolen property, companies have started to use credit checks for candidates. The theory is that those who are having credit problems are more likely to steal in help alleviate those problems. Although I am not sure that these investigations prevent theft, they are being done.

The only reason to understand the investigations that are being done is to make sure that future employers find good reports. If two candidates have similar skills and experience, the one who has the completely clean record will be most likely to get the job.

The easiest way to attain a clean record is to avoid crime and Illegal drugs. Then, make sure that a budget is kept and credit woes are avoided. However, for those who are not currently in that situation, there is hope. Drug rehabilitation, is a necessity Candidates can also hire a lawyer to get some crimes expunged from their criminal record. Credit counselors can help with money woes.

These tests will not disappear. They do prevent skilled candidates from getting a suttable job.

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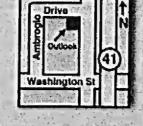
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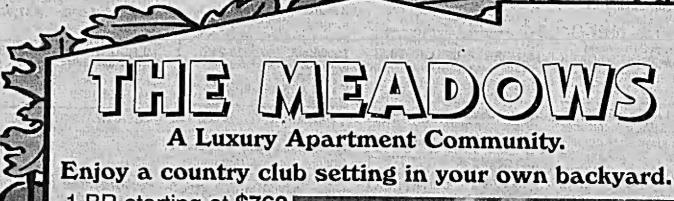
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1205A-6267-FL December 5, 12, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE ATTENTION RAFAEL MURGUIA

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> PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME

Change of Owners' Legal Name or Address or **Business Address Change** or Addition

NAME OF BUSINESS: **Key Realty** ORIGINAL DATE FILED: Sept. 9, 2003 OWNER'S LEGAL NAME CHANGED OR ADDRESS CHANGED FROM: Gang, Kl Joo, 333 Jefferson Ct., Vernon Hills, IL 60061, 847-573-0383. TO: Gang, Ki Joo, 1159 Geor-

getown Way, Vernon Hills, IL 60061, 847-821-1217. **BUSINESS ADDRESS** CHANGED FROM: 333 Jefferson Ct. Vernon Hills II 60061, 847-573-0383. TO: 1159 Georgetown Way, Vernon Hills, IL 60061, 847-

821-1217. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the above change(es) to the named business have been made effective 2003. /s/ KI Joo Gang 1159 Georgetown Way, Vernon Hills, IL 60061, 847-821-

1217. The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) conducting the business this 3rd day of

November 2003. OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Aida Carillo Notary Public Received: November 10,

2003 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 1121C-6236-MN November 21, 28, 2003 December 5, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Decorum Interiors NATURE/PURPOSE: Home Interior Design Services and Accessories ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 33715 Royal Oak Ln. #106, Grayslake, ILL. 60030, (847)548-4677. P.O. Box 7677, Gurnee, ILL. 60031. (847)548-4677. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Dorothy J. Williams, 33715 Royal Oak Ln., #106, Grayslake, ILL. 60030.

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Dorothy J. Williams

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November 7, 2003

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) Intending to conduct the business this 7th day of November 2003.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Linda M. Paulson **Notary Public** Received: November 7, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1121C-6240-GL November 21, 28, 2003 December 5, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Obstetrics & Gynecology of the North Shore NATURE/PURPOSE: Physician & Surgeon ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 106 Center St., Grayslake, ILL. 60030. P. O. Box 223, Grayslake, ILL. 60030. (847)223-6110. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Diana L. Cohen, D.O., 18917 Linden Ave., Grayslake, ILL. 60030, (847) 223-2743. Diana L. Cohen D.O., P.O. Box 223,

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) Indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Diana L. Cohen, D.O. P.C.

Grayslake, ILL. 60030.

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November 12, 2003 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 12th day of November 2003.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Laura L. Carlson **Notary Public** Received: November 13,2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1121C-6241-GL November 21, 28, 2003 December 5, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Adomit NATURE/PURPOSE: Floral Design ADDRESS(ES) WHERE **BUSINESS IS TO BE** CONDUCTED OR TRANS-**ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:** 208 Berkshire Dr., Lake Villa, ILL. 60046. (847)245-7011. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR

Dr., Lake Villa, ILL. 60046 STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned inlend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or trans-

TRANSACTING BUSINESS

Kim E. Murphy, 208 Berkshire

/s/ Kim E. Murphy November 20, 2003 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this

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rect as shown.

20th day of November 2003. OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Linda M. Paulson **Notary Public** Received: Nov. 20, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1128D-6256-LV November 28, 2003 December 5, 12, 2003

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PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Family Wellness Mind & Nutri-

NATURE/PURPOSE: Educating familles to create health now, rather then react to illness later. ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 643 Marine Dr., Wauconda, ILL., 60084, (847)526-9582. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Jodie Clow, 643 Marine Dr., Wauconda, ILL 60084. (847)526-9582. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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November 5, 2003 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 5th day of November 2003.

/s/ Jodle G. Clow

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Nancy Luna Notary Public Received: Nov. 7, 2003 Willard R. Helander 12127 CHUI Lake CountyClerk 1121C-6246-WL November 21, 28, 2003 December 5, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Class A Cleaning NATURE/PURPOSE: Cleaning ADDRESS(ES) WHERE **BUSINESS IS TO BE** CONDUCTED OR TRANS-**ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:** 2403 Sunset Ln., Lindenhurst, ILL. 60046. (847)322-8126. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Christine Lang, 2403 Sunset Ln., Lindenhurst, ILL, 60046. (847)322-8126.

STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the un-

dersigned Intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Christine Marie Lang November 13, 2003

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me. by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 13th day of November 2003.

> OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Patricla Booker Notary Public Received: Nov. 17, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1128D-6253-LV November 28, 2003 December 5, 12, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: First Impression Window. Cleaning NATURE/PURPOSE: Window Cleaning Services ADDRESS(ES) WHERE **BUSINESS IS TO BE** CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 327-A Old McHenry Rd., Long Grove, ILL. 60047, (847) 913-NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE

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PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Jerry King, 1050 Highland, Mundelein, ILL. 60060. (847)949-5938. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Jerry King November 18, 2003

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 18th day of November 2003.

> OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Christina J. Hom Notary Public Received: Nov. 18, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1128D-6252-MN November 28, 2003 December 5, 12, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS: Maid To Remember NATURE/PURPOSE: House Cleaning Service ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 726 N. Park Rd., Round Lake, ILL. 60073. (847)546-3577. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING. CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Deborah Lynn Schmit, 726 N. Park Rd., Round Lake, ILL. 60073. (847)546-3577. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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November 15, 2003 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 15th day of November 2003.

> OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Isabel Araiza Notary Public Received: Nov. 18, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1128D-6251-RL November 28, 2003 December 5, 12, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Kenn Fix It NATURE/PURPOSE:

Handyman Service ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 35089 N. Grant Ave., Lake Villa, IL 60046, 847-548-8421. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Kenneth Pahlman, 35089 N. Grant Ave., Lake Villa, IL 60046, 847-548-8421. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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was acknowledged before me by the person(s) Intending to conduct the business this 21st day of November 2003.

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OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Jeremy R. Zelewsky Notary Public Received: Nov. 21, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 1128D-6259-LV November 28, 2003 December 5, 12, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: H&H Investments NATURE/PURPOSE: Real Estate Investing ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 17604 W. Summit Dr., Grayslake, IL 60030, 847-816-

NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Jeffrey P. Higby, Cynthla R. Higby, 17604 W. Summit Dr., Grayslake, IL 60030, 224-715-4923; P.O. Box 882, Grayslake, IL 60030. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legai full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business Is/are correct as shown. /s/ Jeffrey P. Higby /s/ Cynthia R. Higby November 21, 2003

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 21st day of November 2003.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Tammy Taylor Notary Public Received: Nov. 14, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 1128D-6260-GL November 28, 2003 December 5, 12, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS: Italicon Enterprises NATURE/PURPOSE: Internet Marketing ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 32303 Prairieview Ln., Lakemoor, ILL. 60051. (815)363-3925.

NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Lisa M. Gentile, 32303 Prairieview Ln., Lakemoor, ILL. 60051. (815)363-3925. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) Indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Lisa M. Gentile November 19, 2003

The foregoing Instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) Intending to conduct the business this 19th day of November 2003.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Dorothy Christine Myer **Notary Public** Received: Nov. 24, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1205A-6266-FL December 5, 12, 19, 2003

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PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: All Occassion Gift Shoppe NATURE/PURPOSE: General Merchandise Sales ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 2360 N. Fox Chase Dr., Round Lake Beach, ILL. 60073. (847)543-8326. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING. CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Miguel, Odette Torres. 2360 N. Fox Chase Dr., Round Lajke Beach, iLL. 60073. (847)543-8326.

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Miguel Torres /s/ Odette Torres

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

November 26, 2003 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 26th day of November 2003.

> OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Adriana Lomeli Notary Public Received: Nov. 26, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1205A-6270-RL December 5, 12, 19, 2003



PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Angel In my Pocket Designs NATURE/PURPOSE: Handmade greeting cards/il**lustrations** ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 1416 Huntington Dr., Mundeieln, ILL. 60060, (847)362-5356. NAME(S) AND POST

OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Carol, Michael Leaver, 1416 Huntington Dr., Mundelein, ILL: 60060 (847)362-5356. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) Indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s): owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Carol Leaver /s/ Michael Leaver

November 15, 2003 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) Intending to conduct the business- this 15th day of November 2003.

> OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Hina Patel Notary Public Received: Nov. 26, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1205A-6274-MN December 5, 12, 19, 2003

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ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR **PUBLICATION 2002-03**

FOX LAKE GRADE SCHOOL DISTRICT #114

Area of District 11sq.mi.; Attendance Centers 2: Full Time Certified Employees 75; Part Time Certified Employees 1; Full Time Non-Certified Employees 41: Part Time Non-Certified Employees 6: Average Dally Attendance 777.

ENROLLMENT: PS 85; KDG 88; 1st 103; 2nd 75; 3rd 98; 4lh 92; 5th 81; 6th 100; 7th 88; 8th 93; Special 15; TOTAL 918.

TAX RATE BY FUND IN %: Educational 1.8100; Operation & Maintenance 0.2730: Bond & Interest 0.3420: Transportation 0.0690: IMRF 0.0270: Social Security 0.0370: Tort Immunity 0.0210; Special Education 0.0200; District Assessed Valuation \$183.443.151; Assessed Valuation \$236,092; Total Bonded Indebtedness \$8,915,000: Percent of Bonding Power Obligated Currently 72.01%;

ASSETS: Land \$156,550; Bullding \$14,253,743; Equipment 2.094.285. CURRENT ASSETS BY FUNDS: Education \$697.954; Operations/Maintenance \$50.101; Bond and Interest \$395,267; Transportation \$56,422; Municipal Retirement/Social Security \$33.657; Site & Construction/Capital Improvement \$443.436; Working Cash \$2.181.067. INVESTMENTS BY FUND: Site and Construction/Capital Improvement \$29,638. TOTAL LIABILITIES: Education \$1,975,000: Operation & Maintenance \$200,000: UNESERVED FUND BALANCE: Education <\$1.277.046>: Operation & Maintenance <\$149.899>: Bond and Interest \$395.267; Transportation \$56,422; Municipal Retire./Social Security \$33,657; Site and Const./Capital Improvement \$443,436; Working Cash \$2.181,067, TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE: Education \$697.957: Operation & Maintenance \$50,101; Bond and Interest \$395,267: Transportation \$56,422: Municipal Retirement/Social Security \$33,657; Sile and Construction/ Capital Improvement \$443,436 Working Cash \$2,181,067.

REVENUES/RECEIPTS: LOCAL SOURCES: Education \$3.233,081: Operations and Maintenance \$604,879; Bond and Interest \$574,066: Transportation \$121,245; Municipal Retire./Social Security \$144,222; Site and Construction/Capital Improvement \$82,756; Working Cash \$1,441. THROUGH REVENUE FROM OTHER DISTRICTS: \$0, STATE SOURCES: Education \$843,819; Transportation \$187,436; Site and Construction/Capital Improvement \$332,381, FEDERAL SOURCES: Education \$360.156. ON BEHALF PAYMENTS: TOTAL RECEIPTS: Education Education \$442.047. \$4,859,103; Operation and Maintenance \$604,879; Bond & Interest \$574,066: Transportation \$308,681: Municipal Site \$144.222: Security Retirement/Social Construction/Capital Improvement \$415.137: Working Cash \$1,441.

DISBURSEMENTS: INSTRUCTION: Education \$3.431.576: Municipal Retirement/Social Security \$71.911. SUPPORT SERVICES: Education \$1,284,326: Operations & Maintenance Municipal. \$384.121: Transportation \$1,105,644; Site and \$90,358; Retirement/Social Security Construction/Capital Improvement \$5,777,959. COMMUNITY SERVICES: Education \$11,754; Municipal Retirement/Social Security \$34. NON-PROGRAMMED CHARGES: Education DEBT SERVICES: Operations & Maintenance \$11.736: Bond and Interest \$380.480. ON BEHALF PAYMENTS: Education \$422.047. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: Education \$5,325,256; Operations & Maintenance \$1,117,380; Bond & Interest \$380.480: Transportation \$384,121: Municipal Retirement/Social Security \$162,303; Site and Construction/ Capital Improvement \$5,777.959.

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8TH Day Consulting 3,605.66, Academy Interiors 99,090.55, ACM Elevator Company 183,475.50, Action Fence 416,380, Advance Mechanical Contractor 320,682.24, Advanced Mechanical Contractors 159,656.50, Ameritech 43,807.79, Amsan 48,870.93, Aramark Corp 121,657.80, ASCD 2,487.26, AT&T 2,882.03, Avalon Petroleum Co. 14,242.99, AXA Advisors 1,425, Baker, Miller, Markoff & Krasn 2,517.20, Bank Financial 7,750.00, Bank One Trust Company 181,455, Bay 6 Consultants 2,000, Benchmark Environmental 4,358, Benny's Service Center 25,177.63, Blue Cross Blue Shield 313,830.23, Borchers, Kathleen 1,649.40, Brian Berg & Assoc. 23,533.94, Bucom 2,802.15, Car-Min Construction 453,751.65, Cary Electric Contracting, Inc. 7,250., CDW 23,266.13, CGA Promotions 1,606.20, Chancery Soltware 4,344.88, Cherise Freund 1,372.67, CIMCO Communications 24,263.53, CLIC 61,422, cobalt Electric Company 77,731., Comfort Services, Inc. 1,397.20, Commonwealth Edison 51,118.39, Community Consolidated School District #46 1,4587.98, Computer Systems by Orlando 2,097., Consumers Coop Credit Union 58,647.57, Crown Gym Mats 1,500, Cudahy Roofing & Supply 145,043., DL Franzen Construction 354,792.60, Dentacap 1,118.15, Donna Jakus 1,161.47, Donnellan, John 3,345.88, Eder Casella & Co. 24,681.08, Education Association of Fox Lake 29,823.84, Equilable Life 5,595.00, Esche & Lee 174,720., Expanets 1,346.25, Federal Supply 90,161.63, Fire & Security System 4,083.00, Firstar Bank of Illinois 563,344.59, Flooring Resources Corporation 155,148., Follett Library Resources 5,894.73, Follett Software Company 2,434.08, Fox Lake Ace Hardware 2,242.76, Fox Lake School District #114 1,739.12, Fox Lake School Dist. #114 69,168.97, Frank Cooney Company 6,240, Fred's Mobile 1,110.78, Gorden Flesch co 2,027.29, Grasizer, Teri 1,277.56, Great America Lease Corp 2,148.00, Green Associates 9,633.60, Grossman Plumbing Co Inc 2,750.55, Grounds for Play 85,000, Guitar Center 5,193.05, Hansen Palmer Associate 6,885., Harris Bank-Woodstock 56,736.25, Halch 1,009.49, Hodges, Loizzi, Elsenhammer 41,599.39, Hoene & sons, Gary 1,395.00, Holian Asbestos Removal 50,843.71, Holton Brothers Inc. Contractors 16,773.,m Home Depot 2,267.14, Homewood Suites 2,746.18, Honeywell 3,055.51, Honeywell 9,081.99, Horace Mann Life insurance 37,989.84, Horace Mann Insurance 21,542.37, Horace Mann Annuity Insurance 136,748.75, Horace Mann Dependant Care 4,905.24, Houghton Millin company 7,652.80, Houghton Millin Customer Service 4,481.93, Humana Dental 7,991.15, Humana Denial Corporation 84,933.55, IEA Credit Union 12,821.05, IMRF 101,145.88, Illinois Association of School Administrators 1,061.50, Illinois Association of School Boards 3,836.83, Illinois Department of Employment Security 16,554.86, Illinois Dept of Revenue 83,855.97, Illinois Gas Coop 28,924.74, Illinois State Board of Education 13,293.68, Imagetec 1,298.30, Indecor 5,800, Innovative Educators 1,374.57, IPA 1,734.00, ISBE School Technology 6,114.03, Jewel Food Stores 3,706.18, Johnson, Leanna 1,000., Jones School Bus Service 150,461.32, Josiens Inc 2,276.72, Karnes Music 4,085.00, Kilico 6,000., Kraft Paper Sales 2,860.81, Laldiaw Transit Inc. 3,537.85, Lake City Glass 165,631.00, Lake Count DOT 1,011.99, Lake County Regional Office of Education 10,000., Lanler 1,196.91, Larson Equipment Company 100,504., LaSalle Bank NA 199,024.99, Lenzini, Shelly 1,424.50, Lodestar 5,804. Lomas, William 6,079,47, Loyola University Chicago 2,529.20, M-Tech Laptops 10,288.32, Maneval Construction 95,234.02, Marsh USA 1,716., Mason, Jan 3,309.16, McGraw Hill 20,980.07, Menards 3,055.28, MGT Trucking and Excavaling 96,383.20, Michel, Linnea 2,512.42, Mid States Concrete Products 12,250. Midland Paper 8,755.10, Midwest Transit Equipment 43,490., Miles Development Group 20,000., National School Towel Service 3,600., Nelson Fire Protection 110,222., Nextel Communication 5,526.73, Nicor Energy 28,965.90, Nicor

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4,310.99, Northshore Business Technology 6,328.85, Novel, Inc.1,000., Nu-Diamond Glass Company 1,214.95, Oatman Roney, Inc. 3,030.46, Olis/National Van Lines 4,071.75, Payne & Dolan 97,744.55, Pearson Education 9,961.42, Pete the Painter, Inc. 28,890., Pickus Construction, & Equipment 143,500., PMA Leasing Inc. 18,541.99, Porter Athletic Equipment 43,116.30, Postmaster 3,475.79, Premier 5,116.69, Price Services 1,869.71, quill Corporation 5,923.39, R&G Consultants 1,672.30, Rasch Construction and Engineering 183,389.74, Regional Office of Education 5,932.00, Ridgeview Electric 685,168.19, Riverside Publishing 7,929.39, Rockford Central Tile and Terrazzo Co., 17,370., Ruffalo Painting Company 72,429., Safe Environment Corporation 34,515., Sam's Club #8184 3,900, Scholastic Inc 2,683.86, Scholastic Inc. 13,585.96, Scholastic Testing Service 8,564.94, School Health Corporation 2,070.58, School Specialty 43,860.81, School Specialty Inc. 343,377.51, School Specialty Supply 4,780.15, Schuenemann, Sandra 5,913.10, Seater Construction Company 204,256.92, Sentinel Technologies 80,862.48, Shea PC 119,657.75, Shea's Iron Works 37,332., Sheryl Jedlinski 3,903., Shoreline Graphics 1,538.64, Sign Appeal 6,000., Skidmore, Donald 9,420.25, Sky Lodge Camp 4,295.25, Skyward 38,609.33, Special Education District 160,024.61, Stampanato's Décor 6,870., T.H.I.S. Fund 33,028.86, Taylor Chicago 3,584., Team Mechanical 575,302.67, Techstar America Corporation 2,504.25, TEM Inc 22,740.25, Tempus Construction Services 238,316., The Telephone Booth 31,608., Thermoscan, Inc. 1,850., Torah Aurora Productions 1,013.15, TRS 12,370., TRS 310,544.56, TRS 2,2 Upgrade 42,321.84, Tsarpalac Enterprises 3,200., Tyco Fire & Security 4,180., U.S. Waterproofing 4,388., Ukleja, Donald 1,159.62, Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company 2,400., Videomaster 60,058.57, Village of Fox Lake 26,017.37, Vortex Enterprises, Inc. 76,180.29, Waldo, Chrisanne 1,554.61, Waste Management North 10,887.21, WCSIT 3,538., Weekly Reader 2,433.40, Wenger 2,314.25, Wirth, Mary 24,948., Wisconsin Dept of Revenue 21,768.17, Wisconsin SCTF 4,089.92, World Almanac Education 1,040.79, Xerox Corporation 2,023.00, Young, Judi 1,000., Zaner-Bloser Ed. Publishers 2,021.40.

SALARIES - 2002/03 SCHOOL YEAR

CERTIFIED: SUnder 15,000: Blair Cassell, Kristen Comer, Jill Cyrzan, Vanessa Diterlizzi, Samantha Furry, Liga Kropp, Carol Macek, Mary Maple, Lynn Smolen, Mary Swieca, Gwen Travelstead, Andrea Worzelia. \$15,001 - 24,999: Amber Daugherty, Katy Eberhardt, Joseph Fernandez, Kimberly Goldstein, Jamle King, Niccole Kunz, Laura Myers, Rachelle Perdew, Donna Saranzak, Cary Scarpino, Rebecca Slugocki, Maureen Wekony. \$25,000-39,999: Ellzabeth Andersen, Marguerite, Anderson, Deborah Baker, Jennifer Beaumont, Alana Breker, Barbara Brown, Erin Connolly-Jordt, Davis, Renita, Erica Drehobl, Pamela Exon, Katy Gardner, Margaret Haas, Amy Hodge, Lisa Huck, Joan Kantenwein, Thomas R. Kee, Jonathon Lauer, Shelly Lenzini, Flona Milne, Walter Nickles, Denise Ralph, Sandra Schrank, Elizabeth Stanowski, Elien Stirrat, Keli Ann Swierczek, Dawn Unger, Sharlene Wade, Gizelle Wells. \$40,000 AND OVER: Gary Amber, Martha Berelter, Judith Beyer, Cynthia Carlino, Michael Davis, Katherine Dickson, Lynn Doherty, John Donnellan, Cheryl Dory, Nann Glauser, Nancy Henn, Vicki Hill, James Kennedy, Catherine Klink, Brian Klippert, William Lomas, Janice Mason, Eva Metcalf, Linnea Michel, Diana Olson, Linda Petersen, Sandra Schuenemann, Maureen Swenson, Linda Vaszari, Dolores Vaughn, Patricla Volkman, Judith Winter, Christine Zabski. NON-CERTIFIED: Less Than \$15,000: Dennis Carberry, Betty Cwiak, Susan Dymek, Debra Henning, Shawn Hinrichs, Karyn Horvath, Malinda Jackson, Linda Jacobs, Kent Jorgensen, Mary Lewis, Debra Marienau, Bo McCart, Brian Mosansky, John Paladino, Thomas Raditz, Linda Rasmussen, Betzalda Rivera, Hallie Romanelli, Donna Saieh, Bllly Smith, Laura Sullivan, Phillip Taoramino, Carrie Thomas, Donald Ukleja Sr., Jöhn Welter, Margaret Wert. \$15,001-24,999: Susan Allehoff, Catherine Cyrzan, Linda Drews, Rasim Dzemailoski, Darlene Fenrich, William Keating, Sandra Kegel, Debra Kirste, Thomas Laschinski, Ruth Lenten, Dellina Rodriguez, Cherylann Schuck, Sharon Scott. \$25,000-39,999: Kathleen Borchers, Hyram Cole, Janice Erickson, Mary Jackson, Sally Koseor, Donald Ukleja Jr., Rayna Van Treese. \$40,000 and over: Therese Hay 1205A-6277-FL

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NOTICE-VILLAGE OF FOX LAKE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA REGISTRATION FOR INTERESTED PARTIES REGISTRY

Pursuant to section 5/11-74.4-4.2 of the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act (65ILCS 5/11-74.4-4.1 et seq.) (the "Act"), the Village of Fox Lake (the "Village") is required to establish an Interested Parties Registry ("Registry") for each Tax Increment Financing ("TIF") Redevelopment Project Area created pursuant to the Act, whether existing as of the date of this notice or hereinafter established. The Village has adopted an Ordinance authorizing the establishment of such registries by the Village Clerk ("Clerk") and adopting Registration Rules for such registries. The purpose of this notice is to inform Interested Parties of the Registries and Registration Rules and to invite Interested Parties to participate in the Registry of a Redevelopment Project Area(s) in Village of Fox Lake.

Any individual or organization interested in obtaining information pertaining to activities within a particular Redevelopment Project Area(s) is entitled to register in the appropriate Registry. Organizations include, but are not limited to, the following: businesses, business organizations, civic groups, not-for-profit corporations and community organizations.

An Interested Parties Registry has been or shall be created for the following established or proposed TIF Redevelopment project areas:

Route 12 Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area

An individual or organization seeking to register as an Interested Party with respect to any of the above-listed Redevelopment Project Areas must complete a registration form, available at the Office of the Village located at the Fox Lake Village Hall, 301 South Route 59, Fox Lake, Illinois 60020. Completed forms may be returned by mall or in person to the clerk.

Upon registration, Interested Parties will be entitled to receive all notices and documents required to be delivered under the Act with respect to the applicable Redevelopment Project Area. The Clerk will provide written notice to the registrant confirming such registration. If the Cierk determines that a registrant's registration form is incomplete or does not comply with the Registration rules adopted by the Village, the Clerk will give written notice to the registrant specifying the defects. The registrant will b entitled to correct any defects and resubmit a new Registration Form. An Interested Party's registration will remain effective for a period of three years. Rules for the renewal or amendment of an Interested Party's registration are included with the Registration Form that may be obtained as described herein.

Each registry will be available for public Inspection at the office of the Clerk during normal business hours. The Registry will include the name, address and telephone number of each interested Party or, in the case of an organization, a contact person for each Interested Party.

Interested Parties will be sent the notices and other Information to which they are entitled under the Act with respect to the appllcable Redevelopment Project Area.

Registration forms can be picked up at the office of the Village Clerk, 301 South Route 59, Fox Lake, Illinois 60020. Registration forms will not be mailed or faxed. For more information, please call the Office of the Village Clerk at (847) 587-2151.

Dated: Dec. 5, 2003

December 5, 2003

/s/ Noel E. Working Village Clerk Village of Fox Lake, Illinois

1205A-6264-FL December 5, 2003

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Unit 512 belonging to Anthony Vilona. The goods consist of a desk, small red tool box, Christmas decorations, Coleman stove, red lantern, plastic containers, and purple fishing rod.

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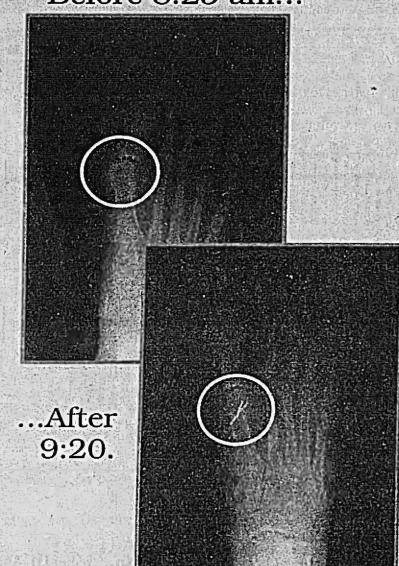
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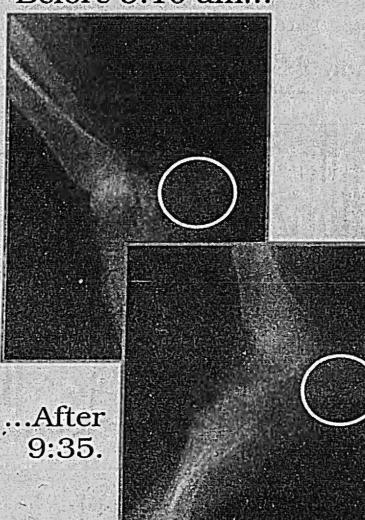
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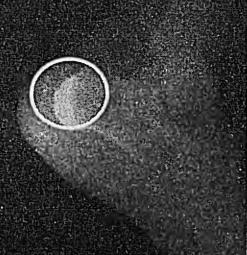
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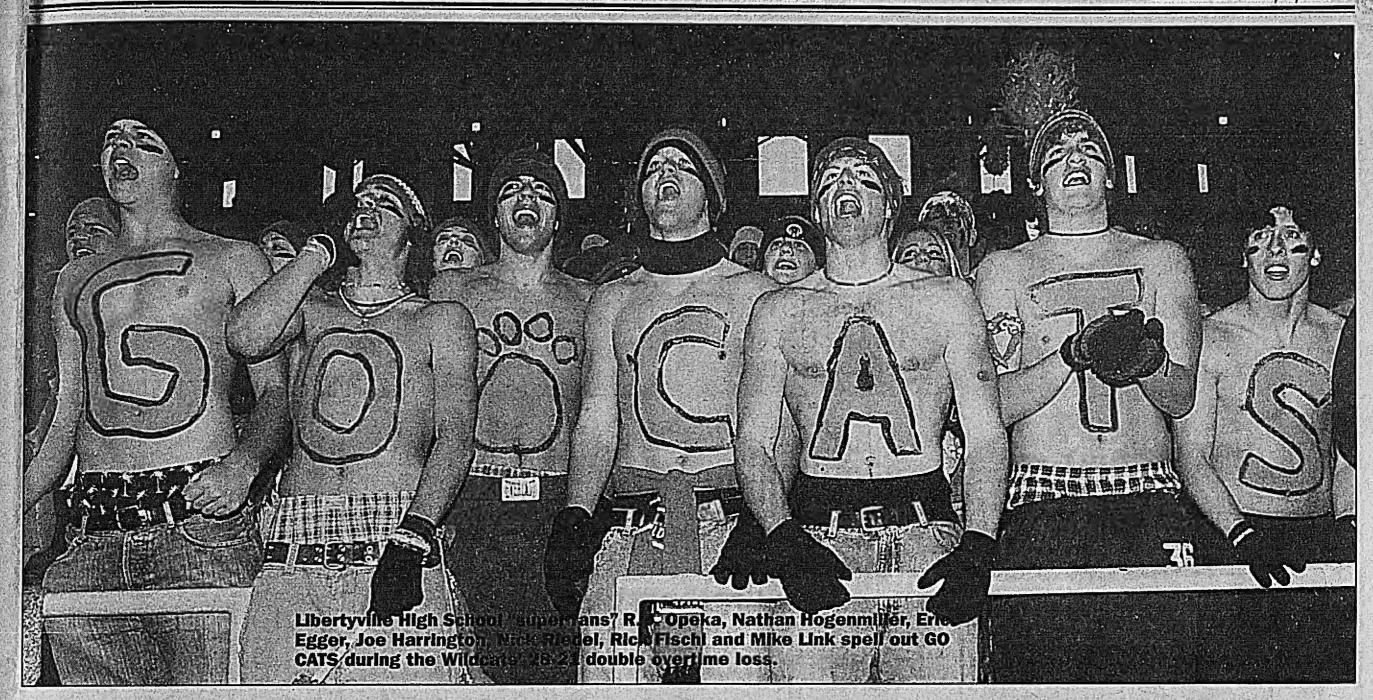
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ensuing possession, on a 10-yard run from QB leff Ziemnik.

The teams then flip-flopped possessions in the second OT, with the Panthers scoring on a 2-yard plunge from Dwayne Staniszewski.

Then came the critical sequence in the game. Facing 2nd-and-goal from the 2-yard line with a chance to de the game, Fontana was stopped cold for no gain.

The Cats then attempted a sweep to the left by John Haas, who was thrown for an 8-yard loss, forcing Libertyville into a desperation heave into the end zone by QB Chris Jansen.

The pass was broken up, and Libertyville's season ended with a 28-21 loss in double over-

"We knew they were going outside (on 3rd down)," Oswego coach Karl Hoinkes said.

Jansen, while crediting Oswego's defense, felt his team beat itself.

"They did a great job scouting us, but we beat ourselves," Jansen said. "We didn't establish our style of football."

Libertyville's style of football all season had been run, run and run some more, but the Cats were held to just 183 yards rushing on 43 carries, a 3.5 yards per carry average.

"This was a smash mouth game," Libertyville coach Randy Kuceyeski said. "Both defenses played outstanding."

Although the Cats lost, the mood was still positive as the team reflected on the best season in school history.

"It was a great season," linebacker Jeff Fontana said, "It was just disappointing that we lost."



No disguising this guy

Cats' Smith reflects on final game, career

By JOHN PHELPS

Lakeland Correspondent

It's no secret Libertyville had its share of weapons on offense this season.

With guys like quarterback Chris Jansen, running backs John Haas and Kevin Fontana and Illinois High School Association Player of the Year and all-purpose ironman Santino Panico, the Cats steam-rolled opponents by averaging 38 points and 372 yards of offense per contest.

There was one guy, however, who wasn't in the limelight as much as the aforementioned. Still, senior wide receiver Ryan Smith practiced hard, had key blocks at key times and made the most of every ball thrown his way.

In Libertyville's 28-21 loss to Oswego in the Class 7A State title game, Smith showcased all of the above.

It started right off the bat.

With a good track resume to show for it, Smith used his speed to haul in a 40-yard scoring strike from Jansen that gave the Cats an early 6-0 first-quarter lead over the Panthers.

"That was a great throw and a great catch," said Libertyville head coach Randy Kuceyeski. "Ryan's got some great hands and pretty good speed. They both showed on that play."

It was his fourth TD catch of the season but it would be his only ball caught on the afternoon.

But had is not been for his good ole friend Mr. Jansen, the two may have never hooked up on plays like that. That's because it was Jansen who talked his buddy into becoming a wide receiver in the first place.

"I played mostly offensive tackle in from third-grade up through grade school," said Smith, who attended Highland in Libertyville all of those years. "Then, my freshman year, he (Jansen) convinced me to try out as a wide receiver. I wasn't the biggest guy so I decided to switch."

In addition to mainly being a wideout, Smith also played a little strong safety on defense along the way.

Aside from the bitter taste of the championship game loss in his mouth, Smith was quick to sing the praises guys like Jansen, as well as the rest of his running mates.

"It (high school) has flown by but it's been a great ride," he said. "But the fans, with the painted faces, Super Fan shirts, and just overall spirit-it's been an experience I'll never forget. And this team, especially the seniors, has been tremendous and so supportive. This is it for me, though. I'm pretty much done with football, at least playing competitively."

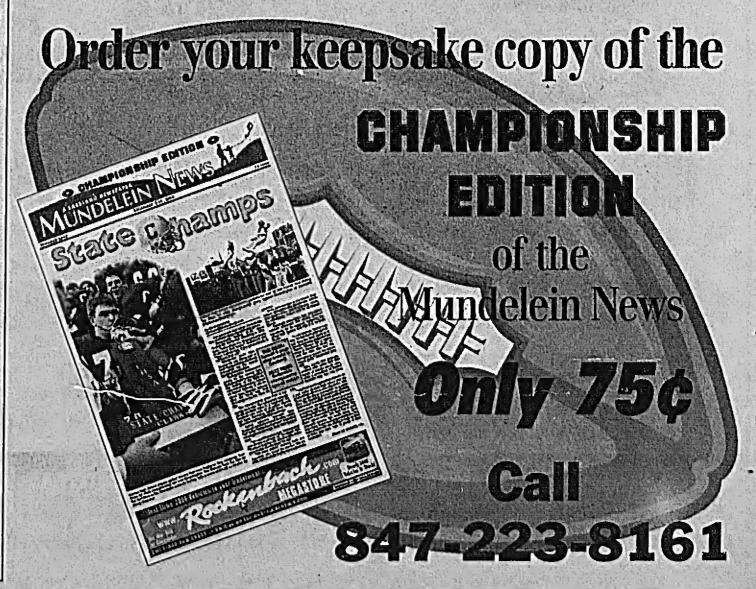
Smith is one of the senior core that has helped vault Libertyville's program into that upper echelon of the state's elite teams the past two years.

Regarding next season, Smith forecasts Libertyville will be equally as successful.

"I think we've started a legacy here, especially the last two years," he sald. "We went to the quarterfinals and then the title game and won two North Suburban titles (in my two years on varsity). We'll lose some great speed in the backfield but I think the guys back next year will be equally as fast."

As for replacing Smith and the rest of the receivers, Kuceyeski gladly welcomes back guys like Brett Lancaster, Carson Swan and a host of other talented juniors ready to come to the finale of the grand stage.

"The quality juniors coming up I think will carry on the legacy. They're ready," said Smith. Speak for yourself, Ryan.



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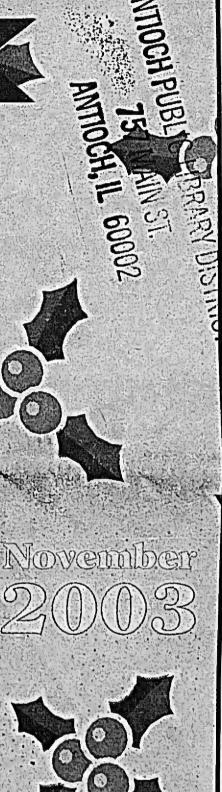
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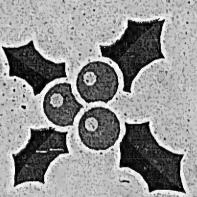


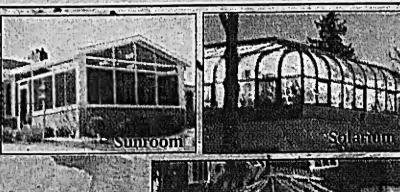
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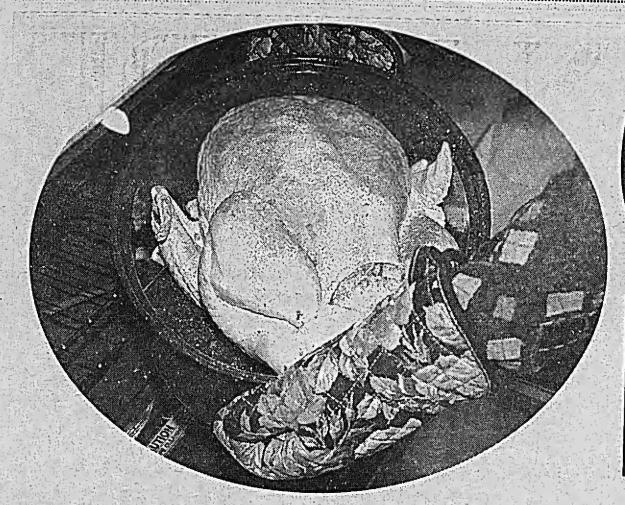
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Thawing a turkey
What is the best way to thaw a turkey? There are three ways to safely thaw a turkey, but refrigerator thawing is recommended. Defrost the turkey in its original wrapper on a tray in the refrigerator 24 hours for every 5 pounds. Never thaw a turkey at room temperature.

One may also place the wrapped turkey in the sink and cover it completely with cold water. This method requires about 30 minutes per pound. If the wrapping is torn, place the turkey in another plastic bag, close securely, and then place in water.

For thawing, in the microwave, check the manufacturer's instructions for the size of turkey that will fit into your oven, the minutes per pound and the power level to use for thawing. Cook immediately after thawing.

Preparation

After thawing, get the turkey ready for cooking by following these steps:

- Remove original plastic wrapper from thawed or fresh turkey.
- Remove the neck and giblets from the body and neck cavities.
- Thoroughly rinse turkey and inside cavity.

- Drain juices and blot turkey dry with paper towels.
- Stuff the turkey (optional) just before roasting.
- Return legs to tucked position, if untucked. • If using an oven-safe meat thermometer, insert into the deepest part of the thigh. (If using an instant-read thermometer, it will be inserted when it is time to check for doneness.)
 - Brush with oil to prevent drying of the skin.

Stuffing the turkey

To stuff or not to stuff? This is an important question to ask because cooking a home-stuffed turkey can be somewhat riskier than cooking one not stuffed. If the stuffing is not cooked and handled properly, foodborne illness could occur. However, with careful preparation and the use of a meat thermometer to ensure that safe temperatures are reached, consumers can safely enjoy the traditional stuffing, inside OR outside the bird. Follow these safe stuffing tips:

Prepare Stuffing Safely: Mix the stuffing just before it goes into the turkey. Use only cooked

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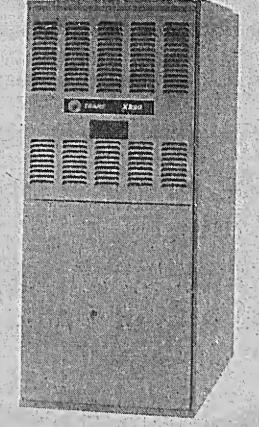
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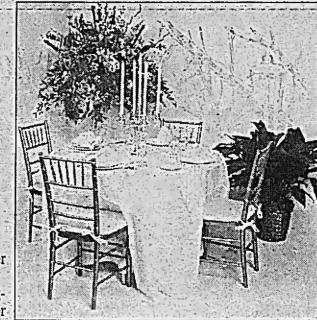
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 Forks are placed to the left of the dinner plate; knives and spoons go to the right.

 Knives should be placed with their cuttingedge toward the dinner plate, except the butter knife



The Basic Place Setting

The basic place setting (illustrated above) assumes that the meal will consist of salad, bread, soup, beverages and a main course with dessert and coffee following (with the plates and cups being delivered to the table immediately before serving). To be sure that your dinner table is set as "correctly" as possible, refer to our simple rules for basic place settings:

Plates and Bowls

- Dinner plates should be placed approximately 2 inches from the table's edge, centered on the placemat (if using placemats) or squarely in front of each chair.
- Soup bowls are placed on top of the dinner plate. Salad plates are placed to the left of and just above
- The bread plate should be placed to the right and slightly above the salad plate.
- When serving multiple courses, many hosts will opt to serve them in courses and place only one or the other dish at the original table setting. For example, if

soup will be served first, the soup bowl will be placed on top of the dinner plate and the salad dish will be brought out after the soup bowl and spoon has been cleared.

1. Napkin

- 2. Salad fork
- 3. Dinner fork
- 4. Dessert fork
- 5. Bread-and-butter plate, with spreader
- 6. Dinner plate
- 7. Dinner knife
- 8. Teaspoon
- 9. Teaspoon
- 10. Soup spoon
- 11. Cocktail fork
- 12. Water glass
- 13. Red-wine glass
- 14. White-wine glass
- 15. Coffee cup and saucer*

* For an informal meal, include the coffee cup and saucer with the table setting. Otherwise, bring them to the table with the dessert.

which should be laid flat on a bread plate.

- Utensils should be about 1/2-inch away from the plate or each other, and they should also be lined up evenly from their bottoms.
- Avoid placing more silverware than the meal calls for.
- Dessert silverware can be originally placed at the table setting if you wish. The dessert fork or spoon should be centered above and parallel to the dinner plate.
- · If you will be serving dishes that require specialty silverware, be sure to arrange the silverware on either side of the plate according to the order in which they will be eaten.

Cups and Glasses

- · Water glasses should be placed above the dinner knife, with other drinking glasses arranged neatly nearby the water glass. Often drinking glasses are arranged in a triangular formation.
- Coffee cups and saucers may be placed on the table to the right of the knife and spoon.

Other Items

- Napkins are commonly placed on the plate, to the left of the forks or inside of a drinking
- Name cards are always a good idea for place settings, if the dinner party is large. Place the card above the dessert utensil, to the left of the drinking glasses. W by Tammy Weisberger, an Allrecipes staff writer.

Silverware

 Silverware should be placed on the table in the order it will be used; silverware that will be used first should be found on the farthest left and right sides of the plate.





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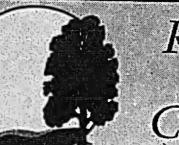


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ingredients in stuffing such as sautéed vegetables, cooked meats and seafood (oysters), and pasteurized egg products instead of raw eggs. If more convenient, the wet and dry ingredients can be prepared separately ahead of time and chilled. Mix the ingredients just before placing the stuffing inside the turkey or in a casserole.

Stuff The Bird Properly: Stuff both neck and body cavities. The turkey should be stuffed loosely, about three-quarters cup of stuffing per pound of turkey. This will help allow the stuffing to reach the proper 165 °F internal temperature whether the stuffing is in the bird or in a casserole. Use a meat thermometer to be sure of the temperature. The stuffing should be moist, not dry, since heat destroys bacteria more rapidly in a moist environment.

Cook At The Proper Temperature: The stuffed turkey should be placed immediately in a preheated oven set no lower than 325 °F. Cooking overnight in a "slow" oven is not recommended for stuffed or unstuffed turkey, since foodborne bacteria can form under these conditions.

Prestuffed Poultry: Buying retail-stuffed whole poultry is not recommended because of the highly perishable nature of a previously stuffed item. Some USDA-inspected frozen stuffed poultry MUST be cooked from the frozen state to ensure a safely cooked product.

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18-20	41/4 - 41/2 Hours	41/4 - 43/4 Hours
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Cooking the Turkey

• Never brown or partially cook turkey to refrigerate and finish cooking later. It is safe to partially cook or microwave turkey if it is immediately transferred to a hot grill or oven to finish cooking.

 It is not necessary to baste a turkey. Basting throughout the roasting process is unnecessary. Pouring juices over a turkey's surface while it roasts will not make the meat juicier. The liquid penetrates only about 1/8 to 1/4 of an inch beneath the skin and most of the juice will run off into the pan. Opening the oven door periodically

to baste a turkey can cool the oven and possibly lengthen the roasting time.

Roasting Method: The open pan roasting method will consistently create a juicy, tender, golden brown, picture-perfect turkey.

 Place thawed or fresh turkey, breast up, on a flat rack in a shallow pan, 2 to 21/2 inches deep. • Insert oven-safe meat thermometer into the thickest part of the thigh. Brush or rub skin with oil to prevent drying of the skin and to enhance the golden color.

Place in a preheated 325 °F oven.

· When the skin is a light golden color and the turkey is about two-thirds done, shield the breast loosely with a tent of lightweight foil to prevent overcooking of the breast.

Use the roasting schedule in Table 2 as a guideline; start checking for doneness a half-hour before recommended end times. • Turkey is done when the meat thermometer reaches the following temperatures:

• 180 to 185 °F deep in the thigh; also, juices should be clear, not pink when thigh muscle is pierced deeply.

• 170 to 175 °F in the thickest part of the breast, just above the rib bones.

• 160 to 165 °F in the center of the stuffing, if turkey is stuffed.

• Let turkey stand for 15 to 20 minutes before carving to allow juices to set.*

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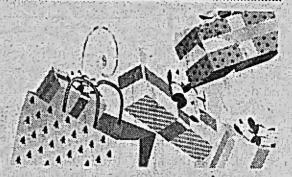
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Address: 850 Butterfield Rd. Aurora, IL 60504 Phone: (630) 897-3011 Web site: www.marmion.org Hours: Nov. 22-Dec. 23, 9 a.m.dusk daily Directions: 5 miles west of junction Rts. 59 & 56 on 56. Choose & Harvest: WP, DP, AP, NS

Features: Wreaths, boughs. Bring

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Kane County

Andrews Parm Address: 1414 Robinwood Dr. Aurora, IL 60506

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Honey Bee Acres Christmas Tree Farm Address: 41 W 072 Bowes Rd.

Elgin, IL 60123 Phone: (847) 464-XMAS Email: hbaxmas@aol.com Hours: Nov. 28-30, Dec. 5-7, 12-14, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Directions: Take I-90 to Randall

Road. South 5 miles to Bowes Road. West 4.5 miles to farm. Choose & Harvest: SP, WP, CBS Features: Warming house with woodstove, farm animals, free tree bailing and shaking, wreaths, garland, gift shop, cider and cookies.

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Phone: (815) 827-5200 Web site: kuipersfamilyfarm.com Hours: Nov.-Dec. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Directions: I-88 to Sugar Grove/Rt. 47 exit. Rt. 45 north to Keslinger Rd., west 5 mi to Watson Rd., turn north to farm. Choose & Harvest: SP, DF, FF,

spruce Features: Gift Shops, apple cider, donuts, home-baked pies, pasturized apple cider, lunch menu, reindeer & petting zoo.

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Address: 45 W 002 Lees Rd. Lily Lake, IL 60151 Phone: (630) 365-2116 Hours: Weekends 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Directions: From junction of Rt. 64 & 47, take Rt. 47 north 2 1/2 mi to Lees Rd. Turn west, 1/2 mi to farm.

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Pre-Harvested: SP, WP, RP, NS,

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ing and wrapping service.

Spring Bluff Nursery Address: 41 W 130 Norris Rd. Sugar Grove, IL 60554 Phone: (630) 466-4278 Web address: www.springbluffnursery.com Hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekends Directions: Located 5 miles

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Address: 42 W 109 McDonald Rd. Elgin, IL 60123 Phone: (847) 464-5776 Hours: Sat. & Sun. until sold out Choose & Harvest: BF, CBS, CCF, SP, AP, WP, RP, DF Pre-Harvested: BF Features: Tree wrapping, hay rides, gift shop, wreaths, gar-

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Address: 38614 N. Fairfield Rd. Lake Villa, IL 60046 Phone: (847) 356-5661 Email: gengel@theramp.net Hours: weekends, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., until sold out

Directions: I-94 North to Route 132, Gurnee Exit. Go west on Rte. 132 through Lake Villa to Fairfield Rd., 1/2 mile north. Follow signs.

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Hayden Tree Farm Address: 42880 Hunt Club Rd. Antioch, IL 60002

Phone: (847) 395-4127 Email: patlou4@earthlink.net Directions: Located I-94 north to Route 173 (Rosecrans Road) left 1/2 mile to Hunt Club Rd., north 11/3 miles. Hours: Call before coming

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Address: 39697 N. Beck Rd. Lake Villa, IL 60046 Phone: (847) 395-4424 Email: Hooterville13@aol.com Hours: Nov. 23-Dec. 23. 3-7 p.m. weekdays, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. week-ends, closed Mon.

Directions: Located behind a covered bridge in Lake Villa. From Rte. 45 head west on Grass Lake Rd. for 1 mile. Turn right on Beck Rd. 1/2 mile to farm on right. Choose & Harvest: SP, WP

Pre-Harvested: FF,WP Features: Gift & Craft Shoppe, Mrs. Klaus's Kitchen, hayrides, firewood and Santa.

McHenry County

Ben's Christmas Tree Farm

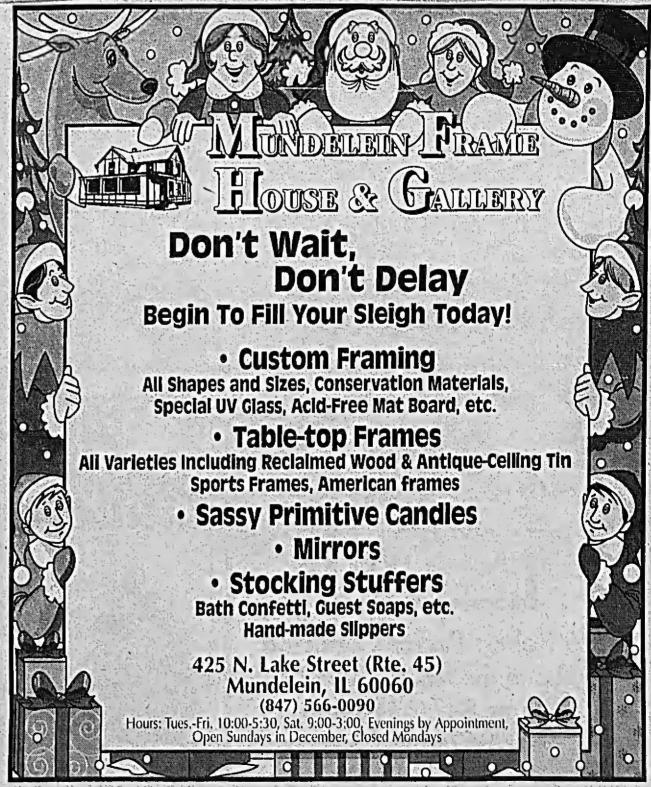
Location: Ryan Rd. Harvard, IL 60033 Phone: (630) 279-0216 Email: ben@benstreefarm.com Web site: benstreefarm.com Hours: By appt. weekdays, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Sat & Sun. Choose & Harvest: AP, BF, CCF, DF, FF, NS, RP, SP, WP Features: Tree wrapping, shaking & bailing, gift shop, hay rides, horse-drawn wagon rides, warming barn with free coffee & cocoa, saws & twine provided Directions: From northwest Chicago suburbs: take I-90 west to US 20; left on 20 to IL 23 in Marengo; right on 23 to

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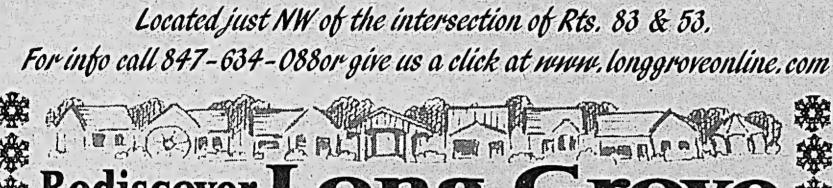
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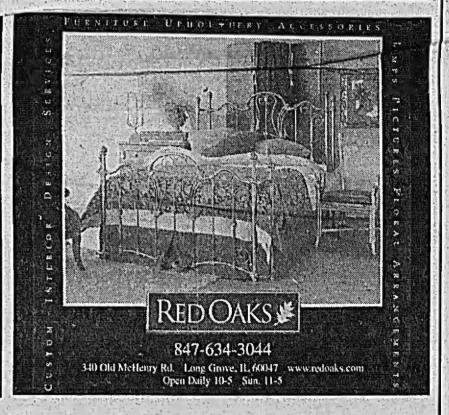
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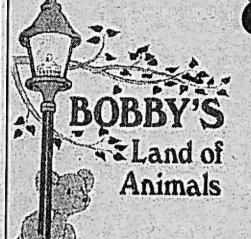


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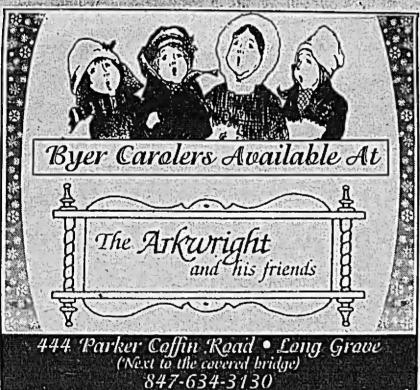


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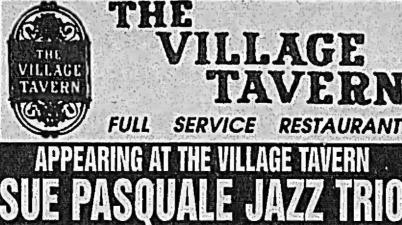
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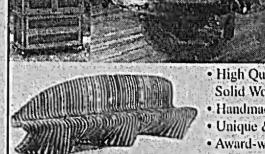
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Cal & Shan's Christmas Tree Farm

Address: 9414 US Hwy 14 Woodstock, IL 60098 Phone: (815) 338-7888 Email: dsmith@mc.net Web site: www.calandshans.com Hours: 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. daily Directions: Located on Rt. 14 between Woodstock and Crystal Lake. Choose & Harvest: WP, AP, SP, DF Pre-Harvested: BF Features: Tractor-pulled hayrides, hot cider, wreaths, craft shop.

Country Pines Farm Address: 2816 S. Justen Rd. McHenry, IL 60050 Phone: (815) 455-3083 Email: countrypines@att.net Hours:9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekends only, Thanksgiving to Christmas

Directions: IL Rt. 31 north pass IL Rt. 176 to Ames Rd. East on Ames Rd. to end (Barreville Rd.) North on Barreville Rd. to Wright Rd. (next street). Left onto Wright Rd. to Justen Rd. Left onto Justen Rd. Choose & Harvest: SP, WP Features: Saws available, Free

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Address: 13616 Rt. 176 Woodstock, IL 60098 Phone: (815) 33-SANTA Web site: www.grandpastreefarm.com Hours: Nov. 28-30; Dec. 6 & 7, 9

a.m.-3:30 p.m. Directions: Located just south of Woodstock on Highway 176. 2

miles west of the intersection of State Route 47 & Ill. Rt. 176. Choose & Harvest: SP, RP, WP Pre-Harvested: FF Features: Wagon rides

Grizzy's Tree Farm

Address: 15900 Marengo Rd. Union, IL 60180 Phone: (815) 812-2961 Email: lgrismer@mc.net Hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 28-30, Dec. 6, 7, 13, 14 Directions: 4 1/2 mi west of Huntley (follow signs) on Marengo Rd. or 2 1/2 mi east of Rt. 20 Choose & Harvest: SP, WP, CBS,

Holly Jolly Tree Farm Address: 6210 Mason Hill Rd. McHenry, IL 60050 Phone: (815) 385-9627 Email: gilger@mc.net Hours: 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m. Sat. & Sun.

Directions: Rt. 176 to Rt. 31, north to Bull Valley Rd. West to farm 1/2 mi on left. Choose & Harvest: CCF, DF, SP,

Pre-Harvested: FF Features: Hay rides, petting 200, tree wrapping, saws provided.

Oney's Tree Farm & Nursery Address: 16608 Rt. 14

Woodstock, IL 60098 Phone: (815) 338-4108

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Pine-Apple Farm Address: 309 Three Oaks Rd. Cary, IL 60013 Phone: (847) 639-3248

Email: pinetree@mc.net Web site: user.mc.net/~pinetree Hours: Nov. 29-Dec. 25 9 a.m.dusk, Mon.-Wed. by appoint-

Directions: Rt. 14 west to Carv. then right on E. Main to Newbold Rd., left to Three Oaks Rd. Turn right, 4th driveway on

Choose & Harvest: SP, DF, CBS, BHS

Pre-Harvested: FF Features: Saws provided. Handmade wreaths.

Pioneer Tree Farm

Address: 4614 Pioneer Road McHenry, IL 60050 Phone: (815) 385-8512 Web site: www.pioneertreefarm.com

Hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., weekends only until Christmas Directions: 3 mi north of McHenry, then 1/2 mi from Rt.

Choose & Harvest: SP, WP, RP, spruces, firs Features: Saws provided. Free cocoa, coffee, wagon rides to pines.

Richardson Farm

Address: 9407 Richardson Rd. Spring Grove, IL 60081 Phone: (815) 675-2011 Web site: www.richardsonfarm.com Hours: 9 a.m.-dark daily through

Dec. 21 Directions: Located 11/2 miles south of Route 173 on Richardson Rd. or 2 miles north of Spring Grove on Blivin St. which becomes Richardson Rd.

CBS, FF, CF Features: Hay wagon rides, gift shop, hot cocoa, homemade doughnuts, tree shaking &

Trees on Broadway Address: 6219 W. Broadway

Richmond, IL 60071 Phone: (815) 678-4425 Email: trees@rsg.org Hours: 9 a.m.-dark daily, Nov. 24-Dec. 24

wrapping, saws provided.

Directions: Located on west edge of Richmond at Broadway and Rt. 173; one mile west of Rt. 12. Choose & Harvest: BF DF FF SP.

Pre-Harvested: BF, FF, SP, WP Features: Gift shop, hot cider, wreaths, garland, tree stands, tree wrapping, saws provided.

Kenosha County, Wisc.

Bentz Road Farm Address: 6109-85th St.

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Tree species abbreviations

Scotch pine WP RP white pine red pine Norway pine Jack pine RP JP Austrian pine AP Australian pine ALP concolor fir CCF Canaan fir CF FF DF Fraser fir Douglas fir BF AF baisam fir Adirondack fir

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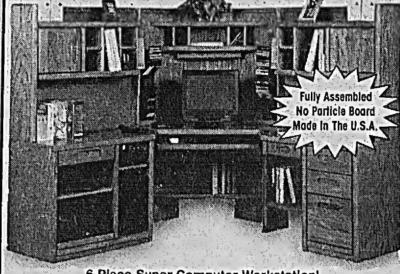


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Thanksgiving truth

A history lesson about the origion of Thanksgiving

The Pilgrims never held an autumnal "Thanksgiving feast," but they did gather to eat and share in the bounty of a plentiful harvest. Before you start mixing the stuffing, take a look at the origin of Thanksgiving Daythe truth behind the tradition may be surprising.

The holiday originated not as a day of religious observation but as a traditional English harvest. The autumn of 1621 yielded bountiful crops and the Pilgrims gathered together with the Massasoit,

a nearby group of American Indians, to enjoy the products of their hard work. The original Pilgrim feast consisted of many items that were common back then, including eel, shellfish, oysters and boiled pumpkin. Milk, cheese and butter were not available because there were no cows. There were no pre-packaged biscuits or ready-made pie crusts, only breads made from corn. Turkey was not the star of the Pilgrim harvest feast, but rather a selection of duck, goose, partridge and venison. Historians believe that the meal took place outdoors because there wasn't a building available large enough to house the settlers and the nearly 90 Massasoit who dined.

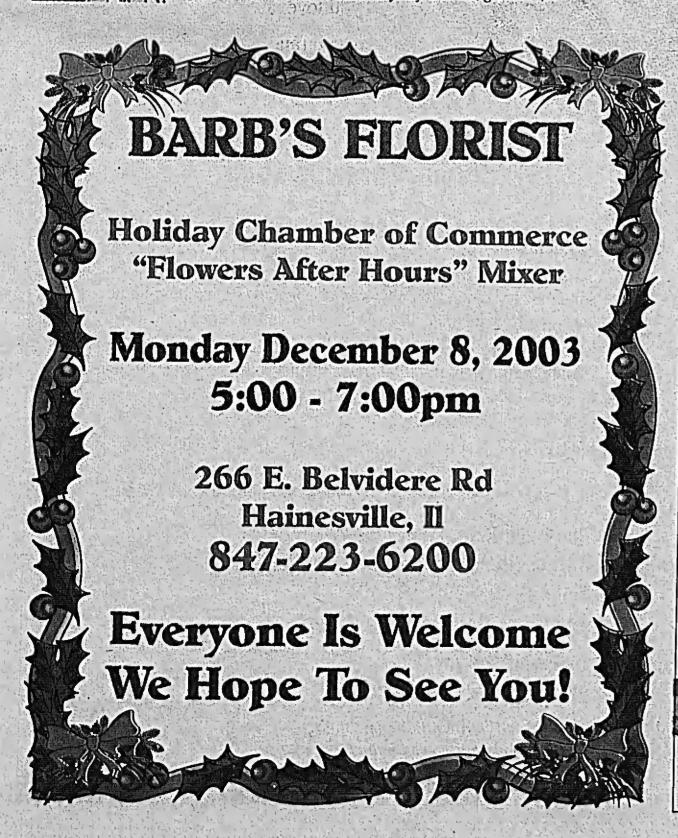
The Pilgrims were not the first to have a celebration of this kind. Many civilizations held annual harvest festivals. The ancient Greeks and Romans sacrificed to the gods and goddesses of the harvest and originated the idea of the cornucopia horn of plenty. The Jews celebrate the holiday Sukkot, which honors the rewards of the harvest; the Chinese participate in the celebration of the Harvest Moon. Even Americans commemorate the harvest long before Thanksgiving arrives. Pumpkins, apples and corn are abundant in town markets beginning in September.

Today, uncles, aunts, grandparents and other relatives come together to enjoy the food and spirit of the autumnal season. A good after-dinner football game doesn't hurt the tradition a bit. These family-centered traditions are included in the present day Thanksgiving are what keeps the holiday evolving! After all, "pass the turkey," sounds much better than, "pass the eel" - well, to most anyway. Gobble, gobble.











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Shop Locally - Shop in smaller neighborhood stores that will often be much less crowded than a giant mall.

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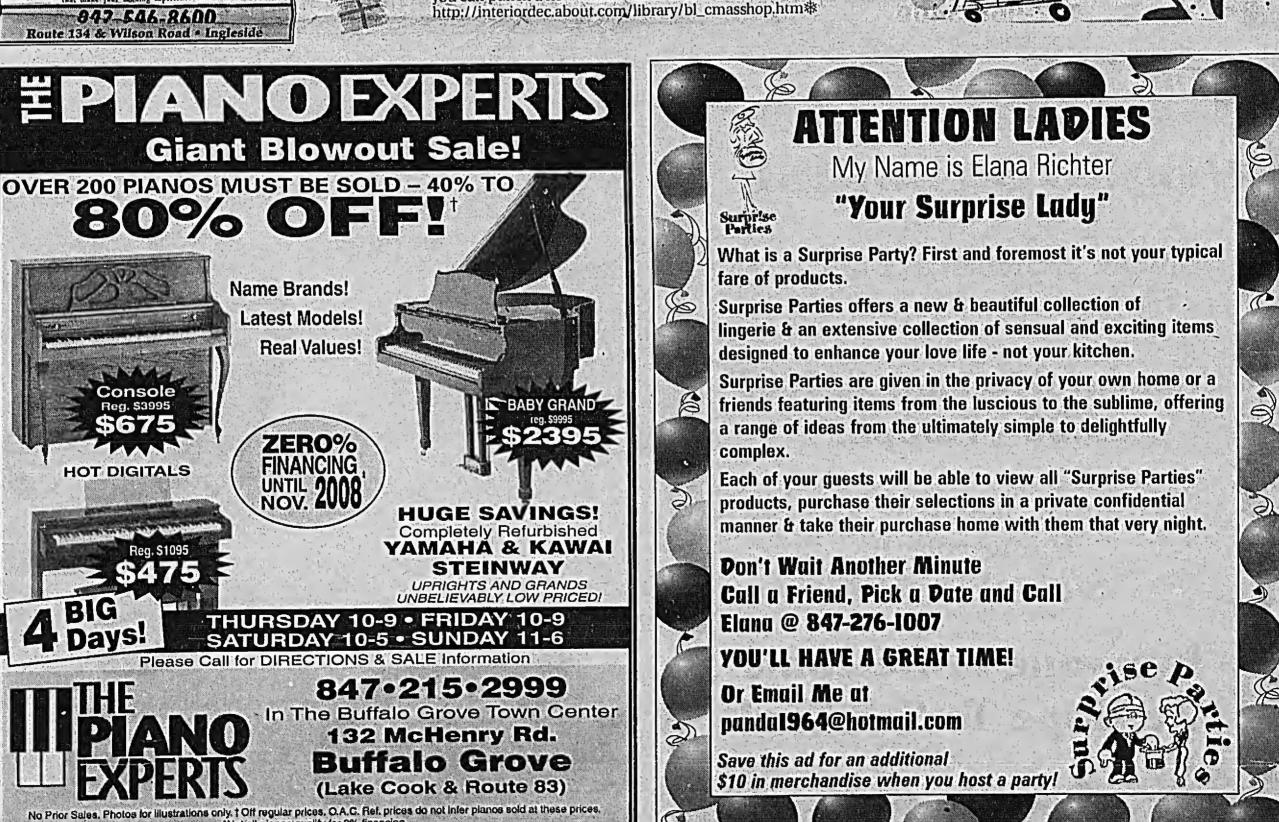
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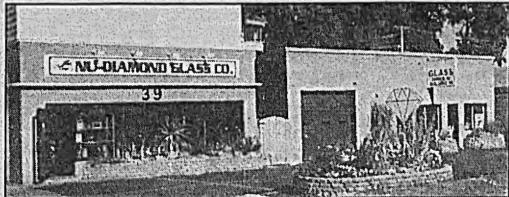
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According to event coordinator, Jan Brooks, visitors to the Star of Christmas enter into the drama of the first Christmas for themselves. "Characters will talk to you. You'll feel like you are definitely drawn into the streets of Bethlehem and into the stable," explained Brooks. "It reenacts the night that Jesus was born in Bethlehem, what it must have been like in that little village," she said.

As visitors enter Bethlehem, they are met by Obed, a shepherd, in search of the Christ child. The search takes them from the shepherds' fields outside of the city, past a Roman guard and through the markets of downtown Bethlehem. The shepherd and his groups follow a trail that leads to a stable in which they finally discover the Christ child.

Each night of operation requires the manpower of over 130 people, according to Brooks. The volunteers, who come from Immanuel Church of Gurnee, work as shepherds, wise men, car attendants and ticket takers, among other positions. The cast also includes live ani-

mals.

Although this will be the fourth year that the Star of Christmas has been presented, it will only be the third year at the fairgrounds. Transforming the fairgrounds into Bethlehem, Brooks involved the wark people

involved sewing nearly 300 costumes and building sets. "That took a great deal of effort, energy and manpower," she said.

The original Star of Christmas took place in 1997

on the site that would later become Immanuel Baptist Church of Gurnee. Brooks explained that Immanuel wanted to reach out to the community in a unique way but had no building, only a barn. "We were probably the only church right then whose main asset in terms of facilities was a barn. But," she said, "Jesus was born in a lowly place. What better place to celebrate than in the barn on the property, on what would later become the site of Immanuel?"

Set up for the event, which is presented by Immanuel, began in mid-November. Doors will be open to the public Wednesday, Dec. 3 through Saturday, Dec. 6 from 5-8 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 7 from 3-8 p.m. Children 5 and under admitted free, tickets for all others are \$5.

The site is handicap accessible. The Lake County Fairgrounds is located on the corner of Routes 120 and 45 in Grayslake. For more informatian www.starofchristmas.com or call 847-599-2351 or Immanuel at 847-336-4800.



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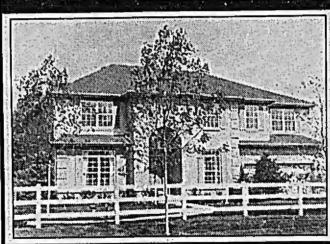
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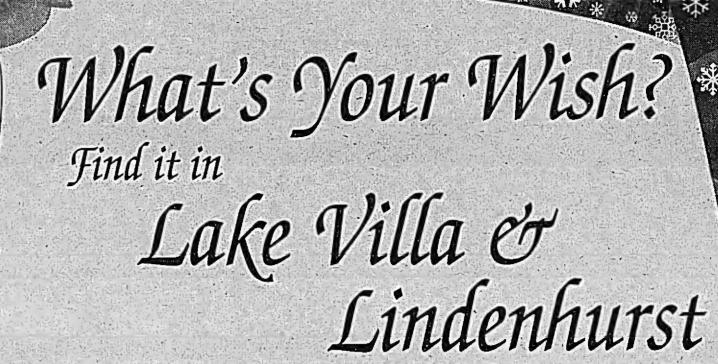
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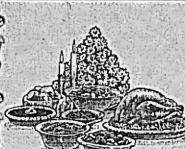
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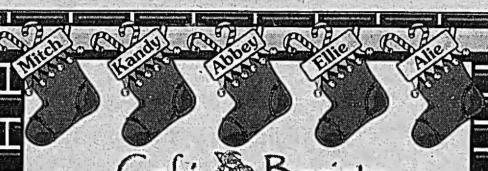
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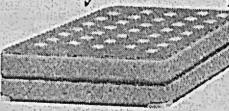






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"Most food poisonings are preventable," said Dr. John R. Lumpkin, state public health director. "By taking the time to follow some simple steps, people can prevent foodborne illnesses and have a healthy holiday season."

Dr. Lumpkin said food safety boils down to three basic rules: Keep hot food hot and cold food cold, keep everything in the kitchen clean and wash hands frequently.

In addition, refrigerate cooked foods that are not served immediately. If food is left unrefrigerated longer than two hours, the chances of bacterial growth increase.

To prevent bacteria from getting into food through careless handling, be sure to follow these simple steps:

* Hands should always be washed thoroughly with soap and warm water before handling food.

* Towels and wash cloths should be kept clean since bacteria can linger in those used repeatedly between launderings. Sponges are another place where bacteria can multiply and should be replaced every few weeks.

* Counter tops and utensils should be washed with hot, soapy water between each step in food preparation. Bacteria from raw meat and poultry can get into other foods if both touch the same surfaces. Also, avoid using wooden utensils or cutting boards, especially those that are scored or cut, for raw meat and

poultry. These surfaces are not smooth and can harbor bacteria in the ridges. If wooden utensils and cutting boards are used, be sure to scrub them thoroughly with soapy water and rinse well before and after each use.

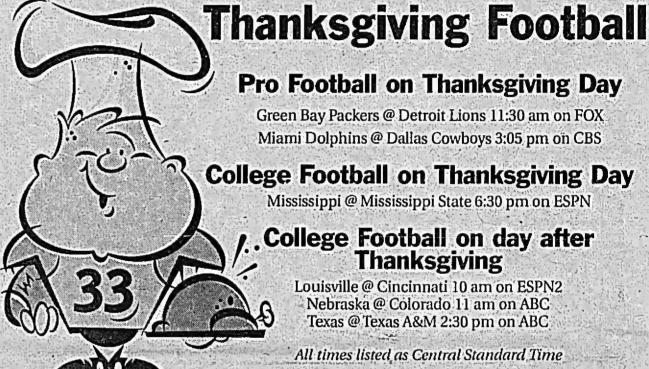
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* Wash hands thoroughly with soap and warm water before handling or boning meat or poultry.

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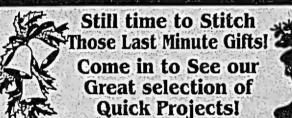
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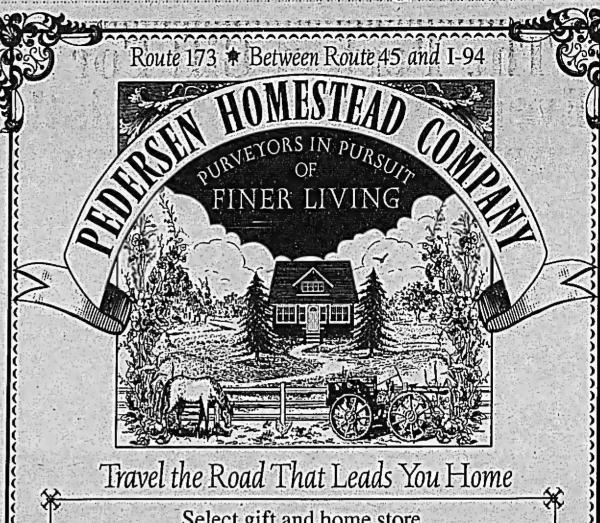


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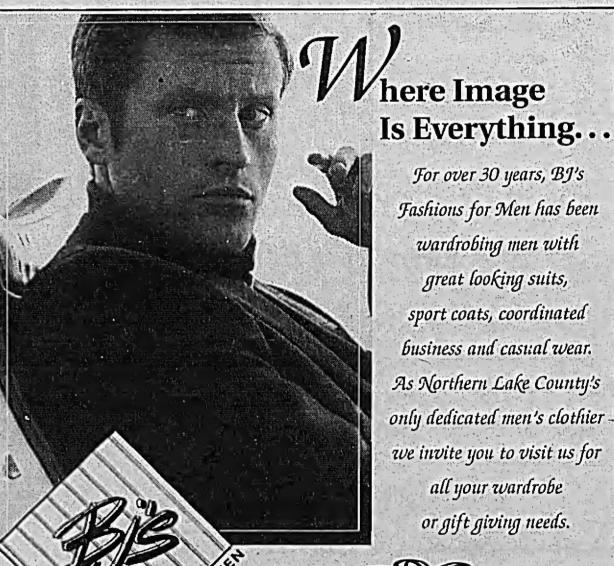




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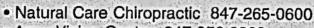




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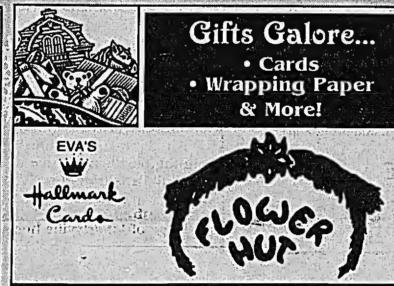




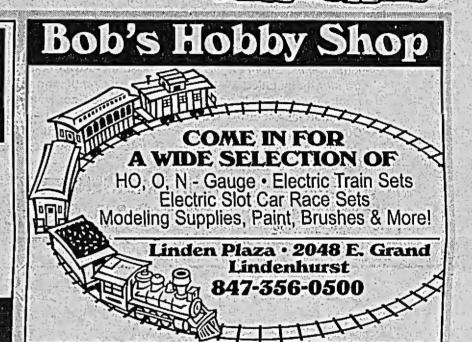
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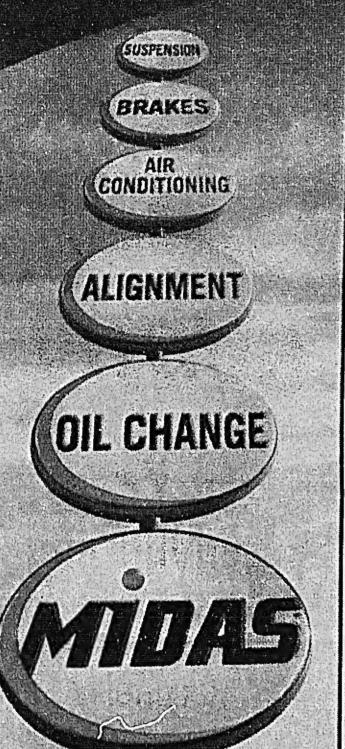
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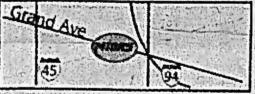


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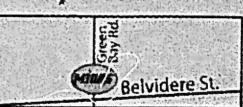


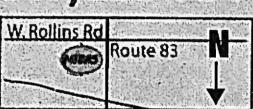
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